

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT NOW IN SECOND SESSION

Lieutenant-Governor Paterson Opens British Columbia House This Afternoon—Land, Municipal, Trust Companies and Educational Legislation Mentioned

With the customary formalities the second session of the thirteenth parliament of the province of British Columbia was opened at 3 o'clock this afternoon by his honor Lieutenant-Governor Paterson. His honor was accompanied from Government house to the legislative chamber by his private secretary, H. J. Musket, and by Captain B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake, A.D.C.

In front of the buildings there was drawn up a guard of honor from the Eighty-eighth Fusiliers, in charge of Captain C. A. Moorhead and Lieutenants Collinson and Major. The band was also in attendance and played the National Anthem as his honor arrived. There was a considerable attendance of the general public on parliament square to watch the outdoor part of the ceremony, which was favored by good weather.

The staff of the permanent corps stationed in this district, the officers of the ships of war at present in port and the officers of the several regiments of militia in the city were waiting in the lobby for the party, and they preceded his honor into the chamber, forming a double line up the corridor, between which his honor and his attendants walked to the speaker's chair. Mr. Speaker Eberts stood to the right while the speech from the throne was being read and attended his honor, in company with the ministers, as he was leaving the chamber.

In the assembly chamber the legislators were in their seats waiting the arrival of the lieutenant-governor. With them on the floor of the House were about 250 invited guests, others present on invitation being seated in the north and west galleries. The general public was admitted to the galleries on the east side and the south end behind the throne.

As soon as the lieutenant-governor entered the chamber the company arose, remaining standing until he mounted the throne.

Prior to the arrival of his honor, Mr. Speaker Eberts, preceded by the mace and attended by the sergeant-at-arms, entered the hall and took his chair. The inaugural step of the session was the introduction to the Speaker of W. W. Foster, member-elect for the Islands. He was brought forward by the premier and the minister of public works.

Lieutenant-Governor Paterson then proceeded with the reading of the address, which was as follows:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

In welcoming you to the second session of the Thirteenth Parliament of British Columbia, it affords me pleasure to state that the province has enjoyed a large share of advancement and prosperity during the past year.

Prevailing conditions in the money market have delayed the payment to the government of large sums outstanding on account of the sale of townsite and district lands; but these amounts are bearing a profitable rate of interest. Treasury notes have been issued for the sum of \$1,500,000, and legislation affecting the "Revenue Act" and providing for a provisional loan will be submitted to you. The high standing of British Columbia's credit, I am pleased to observe, still continues.

Under authority of the legislation enacted last year, the Auditor-General's office has been instituted.

The liberal appropriations made by you at the last session for public works have enabled further extensions to be made to the highways of the province, and, as well, have aided in opening up the central and northern parts of British Columbia. Suitable public buildings have been constructed, where necessary, in order to increase the efficiency of the public service.

Negotiations for the site of the provincial building in London have been concluded, and work is in progress preparatory to the erection of the structure. The new mental hospital at Esquimalt has been completed and is occupied. Satisfactory progress has been made on the additions to the parliament buildings; a portion of these will be available for use in a short time.

While there have been unfortunate troubles in the coal-mining districts of Vancouver Island, the output of our mines during the year has been most satisfactory. Based on reliable information, reports indicate that the outlook for increased development in this industry is most assuring.

Vigorous work has been carried on by the department of lands. Under the supervision of the surveyor-general surveys of large sections of the public domain have been carried out and new maps compiled. The water and forest branches, now regularly organized, have already given most valuable results. Measures will be submitted for your approval dealing with the water and timber resources.

For the more effective working of the laws with regard to the registration of

land, it is proposed to amend the present act.

Following the report of the municipal commission, you will be asked to consider a bill to amend and consolidate the laws relating to municipalities, including provision for the establishment of a municipal department under the government.

Among other important measures to be laid before you will be one dealing with trust companies; also an amendment to the schools act; and the consolidation of the game laws.

The royal commission on agriculture has been steadily prosecuting its inquiries and is now engaged in preparing a report. Much good has attended the endeavors of the agricultural department to bring about co-operation among the growers in respect to shipping and marketing farm products; on the whole, the progress of this important industry throughout the province has been most substantial.

The inquiry into the conditions of labor has been completed by the royal commission charged with that duty; the evidence collected and findings arrived at will be placed before you during the present session.

It is expected that the report of the commissioner appointed under the public inquiries act to investigate matters affecting the price of coal in the province will be duly laid before the House.

The organization of the new Provincial university at Poirer Grey has been proceeded with, the governing body formed, and the president appointed. You will be asked to sanction an appropriation towards the erection of university buildings.

The output of the fisheries of British Columbia now ranks first in the Dominion. Various questions affecting this industry, submitted jointly by the province and the Dominion, relative to certain constitutional rights have been settled by the privy council. The effect of this judgment does not impair nor limit the usefulness of the provincial department.

The "Civil Service Act," having been found for a sufficient time to test its utility, is found to be working beneficially.

The first minister with the minister of lands attended, as representatives of British Columbia, the conference of the provinces held in Ottawa in October last, and a report of the proceedings will be presented to the house.

The construction of railways in the province has progressed most satisfactorily. You will be asked to consider measures aimed at facilitating the object of the legislation already approved.

By virtue of an order-in-council approved by his royal highness the governor-general, Mr. Z. A. Lash, K. C., of Toronto, and Mr. E. V. Bodwell, K. C., of Victoria, have been selected to represent respectively the federal and provincial interests on the commission presently to assemble for the purpose of investigating the claims of the province for better terms. A request has been formally made to the colonial secretary for the appointment of the third member. So soon as this is completed with it is expected that the inquiry will be undertaken. Meanwhile the case for the province has been prepared.

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SIR JAMES WHITNEY HAS HELPFUL SLEEP

Premier of Ontario Still Lapses Into Stages of Delirium in Wake-in Hours.

New York, Jan. 15.—Regaining somewhat strength by good sleep, Sir James Whitney, premier of Ontario, was this morning in better health than he had been for three days. Sir James fell into an untroubled slumber at eleven o'clock last night and except for short intervals when he awoke and was supplied with milk and nourishment, he slept until five o'clock this morning. The delirium into which he had sunk every day for short periods recurred again to-day, but the premier showed no sign of sinking into a state of coma which is the beginning of the end in such a complaint as Sir James is suffering from, and which his physicians have all along endeavored to guard against.

BERLIN WOMEN'S BANK ENDS ITS FIFTH YEAR

Berlin, Jan. 15.—The Berlin women's bank which is believed to be the only bank in the world run for and by women exclusively has just completed five years of existence and is to celebrate the event on January 17.

A luncheon will be given on that day with several hundred guests, and future plans for the development of the bank will be announced. Among the plans is the establishment of a daily financial paper for women.

THIRD SESSION OF TWELFTH PARLIAMENT OPENS



LANDING JAPANESE IS CHARGED TO CAPTAIN

Case Brought in Vancouver Police Court With Another Across Inlet

Vancouver, Jan. 15.—Captain Saunders, of the ship David Evans, which arrived here recently from Osaka, Japan, was arraigned before Magistrate Shaw in the police court this morning at the instigation of the local Canadian immigration authorities on a charge of having three Japanese sailors on the vessel who were not shown on the manifest. Captain Saunders was granted a remand until Monday next, and bail was fixed at \$2,000.

The North Vancouver police have notified the Vancouver police that Captain Saunders is also wanted there to answer to a charge of landing three Japanese in North Vancouver, contrary to the alien immigration act.

The Canadian immigration superintendent Malcolm R. J. Reid, stated this morning that he intended to see that these cases were fully investigated. It has been alleged by street speakers and others that a great many Japanese are finding entry into Canada despite the new treaty, and if ship captains are assisting in these illegal entries they will have to be restrained, the official stated.

Captain Saunders was arrested on shore in Vancouver last night by Captain Anderson, of the police patrol boat.

The time for Captain Saunders' hearing on the North Vancouver charge has not been fixed.

ALBANIAN SITUATION NOW GROWING WORSE

Governments of Europe Trying to Prevent Another War in the Balkans.

Berne, Switzerland, Jan. 15.—The situation in Albania is much more grave than is generally known or officially acknowledged by the European powers, according to authoritative information gathered in diplomatic circles to-day. The various governments are directing all their efforts in order to prevent a fresh outbreak of war in the Balkans.

Germany has suggested the dispatch of a mixed army of Austrian and Italian troops into Albania in order to avoid the difficulty of deciding which part of Albanian territory should be occupied by Austria and which by Italy.

DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT ABSENT FROM FUNCTIONS

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 15.—The following bulletin was issued from Rideau hall to-day prior to the opening of parliament: "Her royal highness the Duchess of Connaught who is progressing most favorably is not permitted to attend any functions at present. Her royal highness will therefore not be present at the opening of parliament, the drawing-room or the state hall at Government House."

SOUTH AFRICAN STRIKE IS PRACTICALLY BROKEN

Federation Men in Barricaded Trades Hall at Johannesburg Surrender to Police—Two Hundred and Fifty at Braamfontein Apply for Reinstatement

Johannesburg, Jan. 15.—The railroad strike showed signs of collapse this afternoon when 250 men applied for reinstatement at Braamfontein.

Secretary Bain, of the South African federation of trade, and his band of 300 comrades, who had barricaded themselves in the trades hall here since Tuesday, surrendered unconditionally to the police to-day. Bain and ten other leaders were lodged in jail.

An Irresistible Argument.

A seven-pounder field gun trained on the trades hall proved an irresistible argument to Bain and his companions. The government authorities gave them a quarter of an hour in which to yield, informing them that if they did not do so they would be buried beneath the ruins of their fortress. After a brief conference they surrendered.

Secretary Bain sent out an emissary early to-day requesting an interview with General Louis Botha, prime minister of the Union of South Africa. The government regarded this as an offer to surrender and replied merely that the control officer of the region, under the provisions of the martial law, had orders to arrest everyone in the hall and to use the most drastic measures necessary if, after warning had been given them the occupants did not surrender without violence.

Strong guards were placed in position to keep close watch on the hall, and neither pedestrians or vehicles were permitted to approach anywhere near it.

Charged With Bayonets.

Bain and his comrades had taken refuge in the trades hall when it was known that he would be arrested by

the police. A large crowd of sympathizers then gathered around the hall and were not dislodged from their position until charged last night by the police with fixed bayonets.

The police took the attitude that those in the hall would have to surrender because they were without food in any quantity, and because the police had cut off the water supply. Bain emerged from the labor fort last night and walked about the open space in front of the hall that had been cleared by the police. No attempt was made to arrest him. His friends within the barricaded hall were well supplied with ammunition and arms, and at one time during the siege said they would use every cartridge before surrendering.

Strikers Losing Ground.

The general strike is not so serious as was at first anticipated, and applies only to the Orange Free State and to the Transvaal. The Transvaal authorities have been able up to the present to maintain a partial railway service, and are endeavoring to obtain supplies of fuel and food with which to continue their campaign.

Although the struggle between employers and trades unionists continued doggedly, there were indications to-day that the strikers are losing ground. Laborers of all trades in the Transvaal and Orange Free State have joined the strike, but the workmen of Cape Colony and Natal are still at their work. There is evidently some lack of sympathy with the revolutionary platform of the syndicalist strikers, who are said to correspond to the Industrial Workers of the World of the United States.

erts, from the Corps Reserve, Fifth B. C. regiment.

To be quartermaster with honorary rank of major—P. C. Riddell.

To be paymaster, with honorary rank of lieutenant—A. G. Smith.

To be chaplain, with the honorary rank of captain—Rev. G. Campbell.

Provisional major—R. R. Earle, of the 22nd Saskatchewan Light Horse, is permitted to retire.

NOT SELLING WARSHIPS.

Rome, Jan. 15.—The Italian government made official denial to-day of the rumors that negotiations were in progress for the sale of Italian warships to Turkey.

HIGHLAND REGIMENT OFFICERS APPOINTED

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—The following appointments are made in connection with the organization of the Fifth Highland regiment, Highlanders, at Victoria, B. C.:

To be lieutenant-colonel and to command the regiment, Lieut.-Col. A. W. Currie, from the Fifth B. C. regiment, C. G. A.

To be majors—Major L. Ross, from the Corps Reserve, 29th Light Horse; Lieut. M. B. Hughes, from the reserve officers.

To be captain—Captain C. M. Rob-

GOVERNOR-GENERAL DELIVERS MESSAGE

Thanks Canadians for Sympathy in Illness of Duchess of Connaught

TRADE EXPANSION AND HARVEST ARE MENTIONED

Bills on Redistribution, Railways and Senate Representation in Three Provinces

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Parliament reopened this afternoon, after a recess lasting nearly seven months. In the face of snow-furries, with the weather somewhat moderated but still unusually cold, his royal highness and staff, escorted by the Princess Louise dragon guards, heads bowed against the wind and lance pennants whipping in the breeze, swept up Parliament Hill and stopped before the main door. The Governor-General's foot-guards, muffled in their greatcoats, came to the salute as his royal highness stepped down from his motor. The band played two bars of the National Anthem, and from Napoleon point the guns roared out the royal salute.

Meantime in the senate the crowded galleries and the packed assembly in the main floor had waited long for the coming of the governor-general. Never has there been a more distinguished gathering at any opening in the common chamber. The members in their seats sat waiting the summons of the black rod. Faintly through the upper windows came the booming of guns from the point to tell that his royal highness had arrived, but there was still a period of waiting before the sharp bang, bang! upon the door announced black rod's arrival. With three deep bows he reached a point just before the mace and delivered his message in English and French. With three deep bows he backed out, and the members cheered. Then they trooped out, entered the senate chamber, and took their stand behind the bar and facing the dais.

His royal highness was attended by Lieut.-Col. Farquhar and Capt. Hon. C. E. Boveen, aides-de-camp in waiting.

Her royal highness, the Princess Patricia, was accompanied by Hon. Catharine Villiers and Lord Spencer Compton. They entered the senate chamber at the back of the throne, and the princess took her place on a chair placed at the left of the dais. His royal highness then proceeded in English and well-modulated French to read the speech from the throne, which was as follows:

"Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate—Gentlemen of the House of Commons: I take this public opportunity of expressing to you all my deep sense of gratitude for the comfort and support that were afforded me at the time of the serious illness of the Duchess of Connaught by the numerous messages of sympathy that were received from Canada, and by the knowledge that the hearts of so many Canadians were with us during those dark days. I can only regret that my enforced absence made it impossible for me to fully exercise the duties of my high office during a considerable portion of last year."

"It gives me great pleasure to be able to congratulate you upon the remarkable expansion of Canada's trade with other countries in the past fiscal year, during which our total trade far exceeded that of any preceding year. The bountiful crops of wheat and other grain have been harvested during the past season have been harvested under unusually favorable conditions, which have enabled the transportation companies to make full use of all the facilities at their disposal. Thus the difficulties which sometimes arise in former years have not been manifested, and an unusually large proportion of the crops have been conveyed to the seaboard before the close of the season of inland navigation."

"Canada has been favored by a long series of prosperous years, and although at the present moment business is slightly restricted by the financial stringency which prevails throughout the world, I feel convinced that this condition will be merely temporary, and that the boundless resources of this Dominion, which are so fully and universally known and recognized, give us the fullest assurance of continued material prosperity and progress."

"As a result of the recent decennial census the representation for the different provinces must be readjusted as required by the British North America act, and a bill will be introduced for that purpose. A bill consolidating the railway act and its various amendments as well as bills relating to the civil service and to trust and loan companies will be submitted for your consideration. Several other bills will be submitted, including measures providing for increased representation of the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan,

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IMMENSE LOSS BY JAPANESE VOLCANO

Thirty-Three Refugees Rescued From Waste of Steam-ing Lava on Satura

Kagoshima, Japan, Jan. 15.—Telegraphic communication between this city and the north was restored to-night. The officers of the cruiser squadron sent by the Japanese government have taken charge of the situation, and are rapidly restoring a semblance of order along the water front.

Many of the people of Kagoshima have returned to the city. All their houses are in ruins and the returning refugees are compelled to camp in the open space. The warships brought a large stock of food and supplies, which are being freely distributed.

The property loss in this city is immense. The clearing away of debris has not gone far enough to allow even an approximate estimate of the loss of human life.

A party of thirty-three refugees was rescued from amid a great waste of steaming lava at the foot of the volcano of Sakura-Jima to-day. Their escape was little short of miraculous. With their rescue no living being remains, so far as known, on the entire island of Sakura. Among the rescued was a schoolmaster, who had borne with him from his school-house the portrait of the emperor; the village policeman, who had saved the record of the station-house, and the postal clerk with a small bag of mail.

The refugees were taken on board a warship and provided with food and drink. They explained that they had hidden in a great cave near the shore until the rain of ashes was over, and had then tried hour after hour to attract attention to their plight.

UNITED STATES CALLS ON SHIPPING SERVICE

Intervention in Mexico is Believed to Be the Reason of Request.

Tacoma, Jan. 15.—That the United States government has called on a number of coast steamship companies for information as to how soon they could turn their vessels over to the government, with data as to the speed, construction and carrying capacity of each ship, is asserted in a special dispatch from San Francisco received by the Tacoma News to-day. As a result of the government's move, San Francisco ship-owners believe the national administration is preparing for war, or at least for serious eventualities, presumably in connection with Mexico. The ships, it is reported, are being sought for use as transports.

The dispatch also says the forts and army posts in the west are being heavily replenished with ammunition and supplies.



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PASSENGERS AND CREW OF COBEQUID RESCUED

Captain's Cabin Was Only Dry Spot on Steamer When Westport Arrived

Yarmouth, N. S., Jan. 15.—The twenty-four passengers and seventy-two members of the crew of the Royal Mail steamer Cobequid, rescued yesterday, are housed comfortably here today and recovering from the effects of their long exposure to icy winds and waves. Captain Hawson and the remaining eleven seamen were still on board the wrecked vessel to-day.

The Cobequid, impaled on Trinity rock, six miles off Port Maitland, was badly smashed and coated with ice, but the captain's cabin remained intact. The government steamer Landowne stood by throughout the night prepared to take off the twelve men if conditions became too dangerous.

Captain McKinnon, of the Westport, the little coastal steamer which rescued passengers and crew, said to-day that when he came alongside the Cobequid he found all the passengers and the crew in the captain's cabin, the only dry spot on the steamer. The seas were breaking over the main deck. The Cobequid was lying headed to the westward with the bow down and the stern well out of water.

All of those taken on board the Westport left the Cobequid in the three boats launched by the crew of the wrecked vessel. Notwithstanding the gale and the boiling sea, the transfer was accomplished within two hours without accident. The nono women and children among the passengers were first to be taken from the Cobequid and hauled aboard the Westport.

TWO CARDINALS NAMED TO SUCCEED RAMPOLLA



CARDINAL FERRATA

Who has been appointed by Pope Pius as secretary of the congregation of the holy office, succeeding the late Cardinal Rampolla in that office.



CARDINAL BISLETTI

Appointed grand prior of the Order of the Knights of Malta, an office held by Cardinal Rampolla.

YUKON HAS MILDST WINTER EVER KNOWN

Dawson Moose Lodge is Largest in Territory With 700 Members.

Dawson, Y. T., Jan. 15.—This is the mildest winter on record in the Yukon. The temperature continued near zero with only one day when it touched 40 below and that only for a quick dip several weeks ago. That the Japanese current has been deflected is suspected as the cause of this unusually mild season. Travel routes up the White river from Dawson continue good with both horse and dog teams.

Several new streams tributary to the White river have 200 to 300 men working, some digging down 60 feet, hoping to get gold at bedrock.

Largest Yukon Lodge.

The Dawson Moose lodge, organized last September, now has 700 members and expects 1,000 members soon. It is now the largest lodge in the Yukon, and is planning to purchase one of the finest halls in the territory for its home.

GODDISON "SPEAKER IN NEWFOUNDLAND ASSEMBLY

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 15.—Sir Robert Bond's followers in the colonial assembly now in session and members of the Fishermen's Protective Union, which united to form the opposition in the campaign, yesterday decided to sit as separate parties at the present session. They agreed, however, to have Mr. Kent, formerly attorney-general in the Bond ministry, recognized as the official spokesman for the opposition. Sir Robert Bond resigned his seat on differences with the Fishermen's Union. Mr. Goddison was elected speaker.

NEW CITY HALL AT NANAIMO IS PLANNED

Nanaimo, Jan. 15.—Mayor Shaw has been able to signalize the closing days of his term of office by successfully concluding negotiations with the provincial government whereby the site of the old city hall and court house may be secured for the city for the purpose of a city hall. The terms on which this valuable property may be acquired by the city are purchase price of \$2,250, payment of \$50 rental arrears, and an undertaking to erect a building costing not less than \$20,000.

HOBART HAD STRIKE BUT PAPER PUBLISHED

Hobart, Tasmania, Jan. 15.—A strike of printers began here on January 9 and ended on Wednesday, when the proprietors decided to give jobbers \$15.00 a week and the linotype operators six cents per thousand and set matter. One plant produced a paper during the week of the strike by the aid of a manager, a typist, an overseer, a member of the commercial and one of the literary staffs. There was not even a linotype accident.

TWO NELSON LICENSES GO OUT OF EXISTENCE

Nelson, Jan. 15.—At eleven o'clock to-night, in consequence of the British Columbia law abolishing saloon licenses, two liquor licenses in Nelson will go out of existence. They are the licenses for the Bodega and Glue Pot saloons. Two other saloon licenses, those of the Grand and Athabasca saloons, will be transferred to new hotels, which have been built, and the fate of the Office saloon license is still in doubt, the license commissioners having postponed action on application for its transfer to a new hotel.

AUSTRIA NOW SEEKING MEDITERRANEAN POWER

Naval Estimates Before Common Council Larger Than Those Adopted

Vienna, Jan. 15.—Europe is but little interested in the secret history of the Balkans during the last year, but awaits with suspense news of what will be done in the Mediterranean. It is known that the original estimates for naval expenditure, laid before the common ministerial council, which met before the delegations of Austria and Hungary, and which actually has power much superior to the delegations, who are merely asked to sanction the figures the council has passed in the matter of military and naval defence, were very much larger than those finally adopted.

Why this change was made is unknown. There is no doubt that the money will be spent in the near future, and there is much speculation as to the form in which it will be demanded from the country. The answer to this question will probably be supplied in March, when the delegations again meet, this time in Budapest.

Various allusions, made by deputies, leave no doubt that dreadnoughts will be built to replace the ships of the Monarch class, which are now obsolete. Many of them have defended the policy of naval expansion very warmly, and this leads to the belief that they have inside knowledge of the situation which is not granted to outsiders.

It is very certain that the problem of the Mediterranean is becoming acute. The vision of the immediate future is by no means peaceable. Turkey will soon have dreadnoughts as well as Russia, whose Black sea fleet will be a factor in the Mediterranean, should she be able to pass the Dardanelles. Italy is very busy pushing on her armaments, and Austria-Hungary, at the other side of the Adriatic, appears to be building almost more quickly than Italy.

Meanwhile Austria-Hungary is paying special attention to the building of harbors and the construction of submarines and torpedo boats. She has already an aviation station at Pola, and the construction of the dam to protect the mouth of the harbor at Pola, will render it much more valuable. There is only one hydroplane at present at Pola and this machine is still in a more or less experimental state. Others will be built very rapidly when the type suitable for the work is finally decided upon.

The experiments in wireless telegraphy which are being carried on at Pola, for the instruction of officers and men, are most successful. The fleet of flying machines is being increased, and everything is being done to perfect the details of the army and fleet. This will leave any money that is voted later on for other objects, as for instance dreadnoughts, should it be decided to lay down four at rapid intervals. Ships are already prepared for this purpose, and as the speeches made in the delegations have shown, the question of whether Hungary is to be permitted to build two of the giant ships has been discussed, as well as where the material is to come from.

The delegates very much object to the possibility of the army and navy administrations accepting tenders for war material from abroad. The government, however, has signified its views on this subject with no uncertain voice. If the Bohemian and Hungarian gun factories cannot supply the goods as cheaply as a firm in some other country their offer will be rejected in favor of the estimate from abroad.

LEAKING DAM CAUSES ALARM BELOW DOBBIN

Cumberland, Md., Jan. 15.—Great alarm has been caused in the Stoney River valley below Dobbin, W. Va., owing to the condition of the dam of the West Virginia Pulp & Paper company, which is leaking badly at both ends.

The West Virginia public service commission has been summoned to the place, as it is feared the dam may break at any moment. The breast of the dam is 1075 feet long and over three billion gallons of water are held in check by it.

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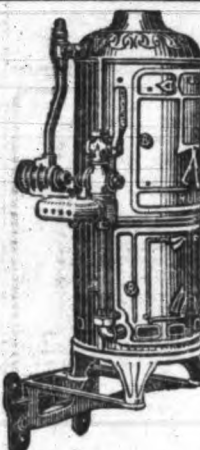
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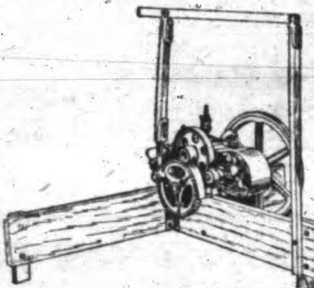
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It Cost Him

London, Jan. 15.—Arrangements have finally been made for completing the purchase of the Crystal Palace and handing it over to the public with its grounds, Lord Plymouth having generously agreed to sell the property for £30,000 less than the £230,000 for which he bought it.

In the first instance Lord Plymouth only bought the property in order to give the Mansion House committee time to make a public appeal for funds as otherwise the palace and grounds would have been put up to auction for building purposes.

Half the purchase price was to be paid, it was understood, by the various municipal authorities interested in the palace, but owing to the unexpected refusal to contribute of the Camberwell borough council, which at first took a leading part in the movement for making the Crystal Palace public property, and the reduction of the Pension contribution from £20,000 to £5,000, there was a deficit of £25,000 in the first half of the fund.

The second half was raised in a fortnight by means of the Times fund, to which Lord Plymouth contributed £5,000, so that his total contribution is almost £35,000.

The following are the contributors to the fund and the amounts given by each: Mansion House and Times funds, including contributions by Lord Plymouth, £25,000; the city corporation, £20,000; which totalled £45,000; London county council, £30,000; Croydon borough council, £20,000; Lewisham borough council, £10,000; Lambeth borough council, £10,000; Beckenham borough council, £5,000; Wandsworth borough council, £4,000; Bromley borough council, £1,000; and Stepney borough council, £500. Total, £230,000.

SUFFOCATED BY SNOW SLIDE ON WHITE RIVER

No Business Openings at Chisana for Women: Fifteen Are in the Camp.

Chisana, Alaska, Dec. 7.—(By Mail.)—John Johnson, a young man, was caught in a snowslide and suffocated on the middle fork of the White River country this side of Russian glacier, on the way to the camp from McCarthy. The body was taken to McCarthy.

Mail arrived last night at midnight from McCarthy. George Handy, acting as mail carrier, was six days on the road, and reports a fine trip.

There are fifteen women in camp at the present time. It is stated by parties arriving from Snag, a small town down Fairbanks way, that there are a number on their way in, waiting for better trails. There are, however, no business openings for women.

SUMAS BELT-LINE IN OPERATION BY MARCH

Options From Property Owners Obtained: Line Will Connect With B. C. E. R.

Sumas, Wash., Jan. 15.—Floyd Williams, right-of-way agent for the Milwaukee, completed the work he has been doing with options from seventeen of the eighteen property owners affected by the belt line railroad to be built at once. A resident of Winnipeg is yet to sign an option, but his written offer is acceptable. It is said, so that there is no obstacle to construction work in the near future.

The belt line leaves the Milwaukee in the southwest part of the city, skirts the southern edge of Sumas and turns north along the eastern edge of the city, joining the British Columbia Electric line, which runs into Vancouver.

It is intended to have the belt line in operation March 1.

PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER IN STORM ON OCEAN

Cherbourg, France, Jan. 15.—The steamer Majestic, which left here for New York last night, with France, skirting the coast, and his wife, formerly Miss Jessie Wilson, among her passengers, returned to port this morning. Violent seas had broken a number of her starboard port-holes and she was taking water through them.

Repairs will be made here. It is expected that the liner will be delayed only a few hours.

CHAPLINSKI IS GIVEN DISTINCTION BY RUSSIA

St. Petersburg, Jan. 15.—A great distinction was conferred yesterday on M. Chaplinski, the public procurator of Kiev, who was prominently associated with the prosecution in the sensational trial of Mendel Beilis on a charge of "ritual murder." In the list of honors issued on the occasion of the Russian New Year, M. Chaplinski is created a Knight of the Order of St. Stanislaus of the first class, and appointed a senator and privy councillor.

WILL SEARCH IS SUSPENDED.

Rome, Jan. 15.—The search of the late Cardinal Rampolla's apartment for a box alleged to contain a recent testament made by the cardinal was suspended to-day by the investigating judge, but will be resumed to-morrow. Meanwhile the judge interrogated several persons with a view to ascertaining whether it was actually known that such a statement existed.

The first commercial shipment of wheat out of Manitoba was made from Winnipeg on October 21, 1878. The shipment was made to Toronto, for seed purposes.

COLD STORAGE BILL

AT PRESENT SESSION

Member for Selkirk Seeks
Legislation to Become Ef-
fective January 1

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—One of the private bills to be introduced during the early days of the session is one which has been drafted by G. H. Bradbury, member for Selkirk, and which is calculated to make some rather important changes in the existing regulations in regard to cold storage.

It is quite probable that the principle of the bill will be accepted by the government, and its more important features incorporated in a government measure to be brought down later in the session. The Bradbury bill will provide that no cold storage premises in which food is placed intended for exportation or sale shall be operated after January 1, 1915, without a license from the minister, the form and terms of which shall be prescribed by the government. Other important provisions are:

No food which has been placed in cold storage and has been removed therefrom for the purpose of sale, shall be returned into cold storage. When food is taken out of cold storage for sale, the buyers shall be informed that it has been in cold storage and for what period; and all food taken out of cold storage for sale shall be marked with a card upon which shall be plainly written in red block letters not less than two inches long: "Cold storage goods."

The owners, operator or manager of every cold storage plant shall make a monthly statement to the minister, backed by affidavits covering all the articles placed in cold storage, together with the dates when articles were placed in or taken out. The bill further provides that beef, veal, pork, lamb or poultry shall not be kept in cold storage for a longer period than four months, nor eggs and butter for more than seven and six months, respectively.

Fish not for export may be kept in cold storage for four months, while frozen fish for export only may remain in cold storage for nine months. It is stipulated in the bill that any persons violating any of its provisions shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars, or in default of payment, imprisonment for sixty days for a first offence. For any second or subsequent conviction offenders will be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$500 or imprisonment for six months or less.

ALTMAN EMPLOYEES RECEIVE REQUESTS

Over \$1,000,000 Paid From Estate to Those Long in Company's Employ.

New York, Jan. 15.—About 400 employees of B. Altman & company, who were entitled to legacies under the will of Benjamin Altman, have just received cheques aggregating more than \$1,000,000. In the near future the trustees of the Altman foundation expect to announce the details of a profit-sharing plan for employees and of gifts to charitable and educational institutions as suggested in the will.

Mr. Altman bequeathed \$5,000 apiece to eleven store employees, and \$1,000 apiece to three employees. To employees of twenty years' service not otherwise remembered he left \$2,500 each, to all employees less than twenty years' service he gave \$1,500 each, and to those employed fifteen years \$1,000. These are the legacies the executors have just finished paying.

NEW YORK PURCHASER GETS SHAKESPEARE BOOKS

London, Jan. 15.—It is announced that the whole of the Shakespeare books of the Dowden library now being sold by Messrs. Hodgson's, of Chancery Lane, have been bought by a book collector of New York. The Shakespearians include an extensive series of collected editions of Shakespeare from Rowe's second edition, 1714, down to the latest issues. There are also numerous books of textual criticisms and biographies.

This portion of the library, comprising over 1,000 volumes, was sold for a further collection of 125 books relating to Shakespeare were sold for \$141. In neither case was the name of the acquirer in New York mentioned.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY IS THREATENED BY FLOODS

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—Rain was falling this morning throughout the state, and although the Sacramento valley is again threatened with floods, the storm promises to be generally beneficial, unless the precipitation is unusually heavy today or to-morrow. According to G. W. Wilson, the government forecaster, the interior rivers will not be burdened.

LEGISLATION ASKED ON LIQUOR FOR ONTARIO

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 15.—The prohibition of the sale of all liquor after 8 o'clock in the evening, and before 8 o'clock in the morning, the prohibition of the sale of liquor on all holidays the prohibition of the sale of liquor both in shops and hotels after 12 noon on Saturdays, were the requests of a large deputation representing the Presbyterian, Methodist, Anglican and Baptist churches, which interviewed Hon. W. J. Hanna yesterday. They asked that legislation at the coming session of the Ontario legislature be introduced accordingly.

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N. R. A. REFUSES TO MAKE STATEMENT

London, Jan. 15.—The National Rifle association is not willing to make any statement concerning the possibility of no Canadian team appearing at Bley this year, if the war office target rule is adopted and the aperture sight barred. The whole question will receive the attention of a meeting of the association to be held in a few weeks. It is stated unofficially that the association officially regard it as likely that a compromise satisfactory to all parties will be reached. More than once previously, of course, has there been talk of the Canadians forsaking Bley but matters have ultimately smoothed themselves out. The National Rifle association so far has heard nothing from Canada regarding the present difficulty.

WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Victoria Meteorological Office.

From 7th to 14th January, 1914.

Victoria.—Total amount of bright sunshine, 11 hours and 6 minutes; rain, 2.29 inches; highest temperature, 22 on 11th; lowest, 34.5 on 10th.

Nanaimo.—Total amount of bright sunshine, 6 hours; rain, 1.65 inches; highest temperature, 49 on 11th; lowest, 23.5 on 10th.

Vancouver.—Total amount of bright sunshine, 5 hours and 48 minutes; rain, 2.04 inches; highest temperature, 26 on 11th; lowest, 35 on 10th.

New Westminster.—Total rain, 2.22 inches; highest temperature, 22 on 11th; lowest, 35 on 10th.

Kamloops.—Snow, 49 inch; highest temperature, 48 on 10th; lowest, 23 on 9th.

Prince Rupert.—Rain, 2.06 inches; highest temperature, 46 on 10th; lowest, 23 on 9th.

Atlin.—Snow, 2.49 inches; highest temperature, 39 on 9th; lowest, 14 below on 10th.

Dawson.—No snow; highest temperature, 4 on 7th; lowest, 22 below on 10th.



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ARRANGING FOR SURVEYS

We are informed that word has been received from Ottawa to the effect that the minister of public works is arranging for the investigation of the Seymour Narrows project, as promised by him a year and a half ago. We must confess that it is difficult to take any stock in assurances of this kind in view of the record. We well can understand why the announcement from the stage of the Victoria theatre last night should be received with ironical laughter. Everybody knows that the appointment of an engineer need not have taken the minister more than a week if he gave his thought to it. We can name a dozen eminent Canadian engineers from whom a choice could have been made. We now have waited for eighteen months, and all we are told is that arrangements for the necessary surveys are being made. There is not the slightest doubt that the matter was to be delayed until the eve of a general election, when it could be trotted out for campaign purposes. This plan, we hope, has been spoiled by the agitation which has arisen here for an immediate announcement. The matter is too important to this province to be dangled on a political string.

THE LEGISLATURE

The proceedings of the legislature which begin to-day will be followed more closely by the public than has been the case in the last few years. The slackening in the economic conditions of the country will cause the people to exhibit an unusually vigilant interest in the course of their representatives, whom they expect to do more than draw their indemnities and vote for everything set before them with mechanical precision of automata. There are forty government members in the House, comprising six ministers, the speaker and thirty-three private members. The country demands from these thirty-three the exercise of more independence of thought and action than they have shown. They are men of intelligence, capable of criticizing the weaknesses of measures the ministry has placed on the order paper. These measures are supposed to be in the interest of the province. When members detect flaws they should expose them fearlessly. If they or their constituents are penalized for doing so, they have at hand the same weapon with which Mr. Roosevelt used to subjugate an 'insubordinate Congress. They can appeal from Caesar to the people, and they may be sure this will be effective.

The private members of the legislature, Conservative and Socialist, should see that the farce of last session is not repeated this year. The proceedings they were without a parallel in any legislature within our knowledge. Scores of bills affecting the interests of the public were passed, "deformed, unfinished, sent before their time into this breathing world; scarce half made up," at the rate of a dozen or more a day. Some of them were not even read, and still the free and unfettered tribunes of the people seemed quite content to vote them upon the statute books. This was not legislating. It was an exhibition of callousness such as school children are taught during recess.

We trust the committee on public accounts will be called together early in the session. There is plenty of work ahead. We must know more about the expenditure which, according to the attorney-general, has laid upon the province the burden of a deficit of more than \$13,000,000. We must know the precise financial condition of the country. How much do we owe the bank? Why was it necessary to issue short term treasury notes? Has any of our balance been diverted to the account of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company? Is the interest due the province on the \$13,000,000 owed to it on land sales being

collected? These matters all affect the public pocket and we should be informed accurately in regard to them.

CHEER UP!

To those who will be left behind to-day we say—be of good cheer. You all cannot be mayor, aldermen and school trustees at one time. There are thirty-four of you, and we only require fifteen to-day, thank you. It is true that in a multitude of councilors there is wisdom, but it is true, also, that too many cooks spoil the broth. Each aphorism is the product of a sage, and each has been vindicated in practice. Then, again, think what a decline there would be in aldermanic stock if it were possible for the whole roster to be elected! The prestige of an alderman would be cut in two. Instead of feeling like thirty cents, he would feel like fifteen. He would be as common as a protesting ratepayer. Much of his glory would be departed, and his wife would endeavor to conceal the fact that she was the helpmeet of an alderman.

So to the fallen we say—quit you like men! Bear your bruises like Britons. Remember the Spartan youth who permitted a fox to gnaw his vitals without one plumper of agony. Recall how the patriotic Roman warrior allowed his right hand to be burned off before he would satisfy the curiosity of the Etruscan invader. Remember, too, that there is a goodly company in your Lost Legion. There will be eighteen of you to clasp hands and vow to come back to the arena next year with your gladiatorial swords and mail glistening in the January sun. Be brave, and do not despair!

FEDERAL PARLIAMENT.

The Borden government is proving faithful to its creed, "let well enough alone." This was its battle cry in 1911, and no doubt its members feel that they would be guilty of a most inexcusable excess of zeal were they to depart one iota from the reactionary principle it embodies. So they evidently are determined to let well enough alone all the way along the line. Mr. Burrell's agriculture legislation and Mr. Foster's treaty with the West Indies sum up the main achievements of two fairly long sessions, and a glance at the programme announced to-day shows that there is no intention of disturbing the record. Recognizing this, the government press is impelled to publish a list of the expenditures on public works to prove that one department at least is alive. We would simply point out that the spending of money is not in itself an evidence of statesmanship; on the contrary, often it is the reverse. In the face of a falling revenue it cannot be continued without destroying the credit of the country in the money markets of the world. Already Canada has come in for very severe criticism in London because of the frequent application for loans by the enthusiastic Mr. White in the last six months.

There is to be no navy legislation this session, as the Times frequently has predicted. The reason alleged therefore is that it probably would not be accepted by the senate. The emergency is to be kept in cold storage until the government has a majority in the upper house, which means that it will rest snugly in its cold and clammy haven for at least two years. What has become of Mr. Borden's heroic assurance last year that if parliament did not speedily pass his proposal he would dissolve it and appeal to the people? It has gone to the limbo now comfortably filled with similar broken pledges. On one point, however, the prime minister is consistent, and that is his determination to give no thought to a permanent policy as such. It must be clear as daylight that Mr. Borden intends that his contribution proposal shall be his permanent policy, or else he does not propose to have a permanent policy at all. Either alternative is objectionable.

But although the naval aid bill is not to be reintroduced because it was not accepted last year by the senate, we observe the government clings with remarkable tenacity to the highways bill. This is Bob Rogers's pet political device, designed, as a Tory senator out of the house explained, "to enable the government to break into the Grit stronghold, the rural constituencies." The opposition wants the money appropriated under this bill apportioned among the provinces and expended under provincial supervision along the lines of the provisions of Mr. Burrell's agricultural aid bill. Mr. Rogers insists upon the federal government controlling the expenditure so as to permit the erection of a formidable vote-getting machine, which, in the opinion of the father of the bill, is the highest object of statesmanship. Twice has the senate amended the measure along the lines outlined and twice the government has rejected the amendment. Why is the same inflexible determination not shown in regard to the naval aid bill?

One important measure is to be passed this session—redistribution. It should have been disposed of last year and the temper of the west has become so threatening that any further delay would be politically dangerous. If the government is as fair in its readjustment of constituencies as the Laurier administration was ten years

ago it will be deserving of commendation. The new redistribution measure was the result of conference, compromise and mutual concession, and was satisfactory to both parties. If, however, the legislation shows the cleverness of the Rogers methods it will be vigorously fought. If an unfair arrangement is forced through the house by closure it will be the duty of the senate to make the necessary amendments ensuring the protection of Liberal constituencies, and we have no doubt it will do so.

SHOWING WHY COST OF LIVING IS HIGH.

The Montreal Telegraph directs attention in a very effective manner to a matter having a direct bearing upon the high cost of living in British Columbia. It is a matter, we dare asseverate, that will escape the attention of the commission the Borden government has appointed to look into and report upon the excessive cost of foodstuffs in Canada. Mr. Beddoe, Canadian trade commissioner for New Zealand, the Telegraph says, "recently reported that the steamer Marana had left New Zealand on November 21st for Canada with 17,500 cases of butter, 278 carcasses of veal and 1,250 carcasses of mutton. This immense cargo of foodstuffs, however, will not tend to lessen the high cost of living in Canada, because before the people can touch a particle of it they will have to pay food taxes on it. When the cargo reaches Vancouver the amount which the consignees will have to hand over to the customs officials will total nearly \$50,000. This is how the shipment works out:

17,500 cases of butter, 60 lbs. per case, 1,050,000 lbs.; Canadian duty 4c. lb.	422,000 00
278 carcasses of veal, averaging 60 lbs., 16,680 lbs.; Canadian duty 3c. lb.	500 40
1,250 carcasses of mutton, averaging 45 lbs., 56,250 lbs.; Canadian duty 3c. lb.	1,687 50
Total duty on this food....	\$44,87 90

"Naturally the consignees will have to raise the price to the retailers to cover this added outlay of \$44,87, and the retailers in their turn will charge more to the consumers. In each instance it is quite safe to assume that something extra will be added beyond the amount necessary to cover the taxes. That is the invariable rule. If the Laurier free food policy were in force the necessity of bringing in this cargo of butter and meat to meet the food shortage in this country would not be made the occasion of taxing the people to the tune of \$44,87."

A GREAT EDITION.

Copies of the Panama canal edition of the London Times, a brief description of which was received by cable when it first came from the press, have reached the city. It is a remarkably well-prepared edition, containing, perhaps, the most comprehensive review of the Pacific coast of this continent and its possibilities ever issued. It deals with every aspect of coast development and progress, devoting space to this province and the various states with the strictest impartiality. The British Columbia section is especially noteworthy and we are sure will attract widespread attention to the province and its advantageous situation in respect of the era of progress on the Pacific which will follow the opening of the great canal. We do not know of any agency calculated to force so effectively upon the old world a realization of what the future holds for the Pacific coast of America as this encyclopaedic edition of the Thunderer.

An energetic, ambitious and enterprising Norwegian young lady, we are told, has taken service in the diplomatic corps of her country. Just to prove that she is fitted for the career she has chosen and is not afraid to tackle anything mere man dare do, this lady has accepted service in Mexico, where the conditions are not supremely attractive, to say the least, at the present time. But this appointment does not prove that even in Norway the emancipation of women is complete. The gentle young diplomat will not be endowed with all the privileges of the other sex—at least not yet. She will have the right to wear full diplomatic uniform, up to a certain point. She can have everything in the way of personal adornment that goes with her station in the diplomatic corps except an "ornamental sword and goldbraided breeches." We should not be a bit surprised if the suffragettes were to make a fuss about this when they read of it.

The speech from the throne, printed as the leading editorial in the Colonist this morning, is a more or less interesting document. Under the circumstances it would not be a graceful thing if the formality of reading it at the opening of the House were dispensed with. Sir Richard might get up in his place and move that the document be "taken as read." It is not courteous to the Lieutenant Governor to ask him to read second-hand matter.

F. D. Monk, M. P., says he favors the provision of all-rail connection between Vancouver Island and the Mainland as a national work. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. George Graham and Hon.

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Frank Oliver expressed similar views in parliament two years ago. Mr. Monk is no longer a member of the ministry and eighteen months have elapsed since his successor promised to have a survey made, with nothing yet done. Mr. Monk has a statesman's vision while Mr. Rogers has not.

Remember how Sarey Camp "took on" when she was told there was no "sich pusson" as Mrs. Harris? Then think of the feelings of Mr. Borden when he is told that there is no such thing as a naval emergency. There were, however, emergencies in the professional career of the late lamented Sarey. For all such there was provision upon the mantelshelf. The Premier's hand will involuntarily grope after such a sustainer when confronted with his declaration that if immediate and effective aid in the emergency were not given he would promptly dissolve parliament and appeal to the people.

Is there a connection, we wonder, between Mr. Monk's return to active service as a member of the House, and Mr. Borden's refusal to bring down any naval policy this session? Mr. Monk opposes both a contribution and a Canadian navy. He is a power among Mr. Borden's score of Nationalist supporters. The Prime Minister seems to be thoroughly frightened of this subject. In the meantime what will they say at the Carlton Club?

A Solomon has come to judgment in Toronto. Judge Morson, disposing of a case that recently came before him, remarked: "No one objects to a man eating a meal in a restaurant on Sunday, but a certain class of people raise their hands in horror when ice cream replaces the meat. It seems to me that our ideas should broaden with the times, but apparently they are becoming narrower among a certain set."

A Toronto butcher was assaulted and brutally handled by his brothers in the trade because he refused to become a party to a combine for the insurance of "uniformity of prices." There is no chance for such a disgraceful affair in Victoria. We have a respectable as well as a more effective way of disposing of "insurgents" in this part of the world.

First it was an emergency; then a great need; next a great pre-occupation; after that a debt of gratitude; then a moral duty, and now it has been reduced to a blush of shame by Sir Richard McBride. It is with no desire to under-estimate our Premier's bluntness that we express doubt as to whether they are substantial enough to hang a naval contribution bill upon.

The speech from the throne in the Dominion house winds up with an invocation that "the blessing of divine providence may attend the deliberations of the Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate and the Gentlemen of the House of Commons. Even at this distance we can hear Hon. "Bob" Rogers murmur "Ah-men!"

Toronto Star: Those German officers in Alsace who threatened to shoot and actually arrested persons for laughing as they walked past may have been too sensitive. The people may not have been laughing at them, although in the twentieth century they do look rather ludicrous.

The fact that the Dominion parliament and the British Columbia legislature meet simultaneously necessarily need not be taken as a mere coincidence. Sir Richard is determined to appear in the limelight.

In spite of Sir Richard's memorable break at the Ottawa Canadian Club luncheon Mr. Borden refuses to reintroduce his naval contribution bill. Now what do you think of that for less majesty?

Anyway, the Navy League is going to do something. It is about to give a ball. We hope everybody will have a good time.

The Times will bulletin the results of the municipal elections on its office windows to-night. We trust there will be no militant suffragettes in the crowd.

The January Sale Bargains In Ready-to-Wear Announced For Friday Are Unusually Attractive

January Clearance of Ladies' Afternoon and Evening Coats

Regular Values to \$85.00. Friday **\$25.00**

A BIG price concession that will tempt many women to indulge in an extra coat for afternoon reception or evening wear. See these splendid values displayed in the View street windows. The extraordinary values will surprise you—and you will be delighted with both the styles and materials as well as the manner in which they are made. Brocade velvets and silk plush in both draped and plain straight lines are to be had and they are lined throughout with best Skinner satin. Most are handsomely finished with frog fastenings. The colors include greys, browns and black.

Opera Cloaks

Regular Values to \$75.00. Friday **\$20.00**

Lovely Wraps for evening wear. They are mostly in draped styles in brocade satins and silks, and all are the newest evening shades daintily lined with stencilled-chiffons.

SEE VIEW STREET WINDOWS FOR SAMPLES.

AT 2.30 P.M. FRIDAY

We Start Our January Sale of Women's Skirts

Regular \$5.75 to \$17.50 Grades Selling at \$3.75, \$4.75, \$5.75, \$6.75, \$7.75 and \$8.75

ABOUT 400 Women's better grade Skirts go on sale Friday afternoon at prices nearly equal to half-price. This is one of the best opportunities of the year for women to secure a stylish and serviceable skirt at such a low figure. Every one of them is of the highest quality in its class and as there is a tremendous assortment of styles there is not the slightest reason why you should not find one that will suit your taste and give you entire satisfaction. The materials include almost every kind of cloth made—Panamas, plain and hairline serges, tweed in a very large assortment of shades and patterns; voiles, Bedford cords, checks, worsteds, velvets and corduroys. As to the colors nearly everything you can think of is included. The most prominent being navy, black, fawns, greys, greens, browns and tweed mixtures. Plain-tailored, slashed, slightly draped and other smart styles are included and there are all sizes. Some are quite plain, others are very smartly trimmed with braids, buttons or pleats, so there is a sufficient variety to please even the most expectant shopper.

MISSSES' SKIRTS

Regular \$4.50 to \$8.75 Grades, Selling at \$2.90 and \$3.90

These are in similar styles, materials and colors as above. There are all sizes and a very big range to choose from.

You'll Realize What Wonderful Skirts These Are When You See Them in the View St. Windows

A Big Sale of Men's and Women's Shoes Friday at \$2.95

EXTRAORDINARY Sale Values in Men's and Women's Shoes are offered for Friday's selling. We have readjusted all our Special Sale lines in the higher-priced shoes; also sorted out a large number of other values from our regular stocks of reliable footwear, and included them all in this one big offering for Friday. The Douglas street windows will give you a much better idea of the extraordinary values being offered than anything we can say here. For your guidance we quote the following particulars.

In Women's Shoes there are cloth tops, black suede boots, tan calf button boots, patent leather button and lace boots, gun-metal button and lace boots, grey cloth button boots and gun-metal button boots with brown cloth tops.

In Men's Shoes there are patent Blucher Oxfords, gun-metal Blucher Oxfords, box calf Blucher boots, leather lined; tan calf Blucher boots, gun-metal box calf Blucher and button boots; also many other leathers. All sizes are included in the lot, but not in every style. Make your selection early.

—Main Floor

Bargain News From the Men's Clothing Department for Friday

Men's \$15.00 to \$18.00 Waterproof and Mackintosh Coats Friday **\$8.75**

FROM such an assortment of Waterproof Coats men will have no difficulty in selecting one that will suit their requirements. Every coat is a reliable quality, guaranteed waterproof and will give the best satisfaction in wear. The lot includes the regular waterproof style, plain Mackintoshes and also the cloth-finished coats. Fawns, greys and greenish mixtures are the chief colors, and you can choose from the military or ordinary coat collars; also plain or belt backs. See View street windows for samples.

Men's Knitted Vests—Values to \$6.75 Friday **\$1.50**

Smart Vests in a warm, cosy make. Your choice from a large selection of shades and patterns—all the latest—and some are made with sleeves; sizes 36 to 44. An unusually low price for such high-grade qualities and an opportunity that should not be missed by the man who appreciates wearing a nice Fancy Knitted Vest.

MEN'S TWEED HATS

Regular \$2.00 Grades Friday **\$1.25**

These are in a large variety of new shades and all the latest blocks, all sizes. A splendid chance for you to secure a New Hat at low cost.

—Main Floor

Misses' Cashmere Hose

A good reliable quality, and regularly sold at 50c. January Sale price, per pair **35c**
3 pairs for **\$1.00**

Maxine Toilet Preparations

Free lectures and lessons on the care of the skin and hair are being given daily in the Ladies' Restroom on third floor. All ladies are heartily invited.

Our Entire Stock of Children's Coats to go at a Great Price Sacrifice

Regular \$2.50 to \$8.75 Values Friday at \$1.50, \$2.50 and \$3.75

EVERY COAT in the children's department is included in the above prices. We intend clearing the entire stock out and have reduced the prices to such that will enable us to see our object realized. There is a splendid assortment and the materials include Plain and Corduroy Velvets, Blanket Cloths, Warm Coatings, Teddy Bear Cloth, and White and Grey Bearskin. Various are the styles and there are all sizes from eighteen months to three years. There's sure to be a rush for these coats, so early shopping is advisable to secure the best values.

Clearing Out All Children's Fur Sets—Regular 75c to \$5.75 Values Friday 50c and \$1.00

The entire stock to be cleared up—every set to go at the above ridiculously low prices—Plush, Imitation Grey Seal, Teddy Bear, and White Imitation Lamb's Wool. All two-piece sets—necklet and muff.

See View Street Window for Samples.

Children's Rompers at Half Price Friday

A SPLENDID opportunity for mothers to buy a few extra to lay-by for future use. They are without a doubt the best garments for little ones to wear while playing indoors or around the garden. In dark and white checks, a few in blue and white. Regular \$1.00 grade selling Friday at, each **50c**

—First Floor

DAVID SPENCER, LTD

It's No Good

Fretting and worrying because you're out of sorts. If you can't get over it, go to the doctor and see what he has to say—THEN COME TO US. We'll carry out the doctor's instructions in such a way as to give you the full benefit of his advice.

E. H. ROWES
1222 GOVERNMENT ST.

The Old Established Drug Store

Safety Deposit Boxes for Rent

Interest at 4 per cent per annum allowed on deposits. Estates managed; trusts administered. Call and talk over your financial difficulties with us.

British American Trust Company, Limited

723 Fort St., Victoria, B. C.

20% Cash Discount as Well as Sale Prices

All our Sea Grass Chairs to be cleared out at once. All other goods reduced, and 10 per cent, 15 per cent and 20 per cent cash discount as well.

Lee Dye & Company

WE HAVE A LADIES' TAILOR.
715 View St. Phones 134 and 4152

ONE DOSE RELIEVES A COLD—NO QUININE

Pape's Cold Compound Ends Bad Colds or Grippe in a Few Hours

Relief comes instantly. A dose taken every two hours until three doses are taken will end grippe misery and break up a severe cold in the head, chest, body or mbs. It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, alleviates sick headache, dizziness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness. Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffling! Ease your throbbing head! Nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as Pape's Cold Compound, which costs only 25 cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, causes no inconvenience. Be sure you get the genuine.

MAY CUT OFF STOREY.
enders For H. B. Company's Store Too High; Five Firms Re-figure On Nine New Plans.

There has been another delay in the fitting of the contract for the Hudson's Bay store. Only two or three of the many firms which tendered were within \$150,000 of the architect's estimate of the cost and it was found necessary to ask five of the contracting firms whose original tenders appeared, the architect to re-figure on nine alternative schemes. One of these schemes is to reduce the building to three stories. The other eight are all different styles of construction. The company found itself faced with too expensive an undertaking when the tenders were opened and these nine new plans were devised with a view to bringing the cost nearer the appropriation. The new tenders are not yet completed and it will still be some days before the contract is let.

THE WORST OF ILLS.
"Where came the worst of the ill that ever struck this city?" asked Ex-lsman W. McK. Ross at the theatre meeting last evening. The answer was thoroughly unexpected, as it came from a voice in the audience, "China." For several minutes the audience roared with laughter, and it was some time before he had a opportunity of resuming his speech.

BRIEF NEWS OF THE CITY

Ladies' Tailor.—Wm. Stewart, men's and ladies' tailor, room 5, Hayman Bldg., Fort street.

Hanna & Thomson, 327 Pandora avenue. Phone 498. Fine Funeral Furnishings. Lady attendant. Auto Hearse in connection. Calls promptly answered day or night. Frank L. Thomson, funeral director and licensed embalmer.

S. P. C. A.—Cases of cruelty 'phone Inspector Russell, 1921; Secretary, L1728.

Phoenix Stout, \$1.50 per doz. qts.

Sale of Toilet Sets.—One-third off all toilet sets at R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas street.

Needless Operations and Expense Avoided by having your dental work done by Dr. J. L. Thompson, 1214 Government street.

The B. C. Funeral Co., Chas. Hayward, president, 734 Broughton street. Calls promptly attended to. Phone 2325.

Economy Wet Wash Laundry.—Family wash, 75c a week. Clothes returned on the following day, thoroughly washed. Phone 3339. 2612 Bridge street.

The Umbrella Shop, 610 Pandora St.

Wall Paper, 10c Per Roll.—Estimates furnished on Decorating and House-Painting. H. Harkness & Son, 919 Pandora avenue.

The Key Shop, 610 Pandora street.

The James Bay Hotel.—South Government street.—This exclusive residential home has a few vacancies for winter residents at special inclusive winter rates. French chef, excellent cuisine. Phone 2304.

Bean Weather.—Bake your Boston baked beans in one of Brown's brown bean pots. They stand the heat, 20c to 70c. R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St., Phone 3712.

Phoenix Beer, \$1.50 per doz. qts.

For Fire, marine, automobile, liability, sickness and accident, plate glass, elevator and employers' liability, consult Gillespie, Hart & Todd, general agents for British Columbia. All claims settled and paid by our office.

A New Method for Extraction of Teeth—absolutely without pain. Dr. J. L. Thompson, 1214 Government street. Open evenings.

SANDS Funeral Furnishing Co., Limited, formerly Sands & Fulton, Ltd., Funeral Directors and Licensed Embalmers. Lady in attendance. 1515 Quadra street. Phone 3306.

Try New Life—Relieves pain instantly. Free demonstration. Special prices, 721 Yates street.

Wanted to Purchase—Good agreements for sale at reasonable rates. Colonial Trust Company, Limited, Merchants Bank building.

Silent Salesman Show Cases.—Show Cases, \$12.00 per foot and upwards, Victoria Show Case Co., Factory 2207 Government street, corner Princess and Government streets.

For Keys that fit, go to Wilson's Repair Shop, 614 Cormorant street. 3320 and 132.

Phoenix Beer, \$1.50 per doz. qts.

Don't Be a Mule.—Let the Acme auto carry your load. Reasonable prices. Good service. Phone 3712.

If You Want a Truck or Express Wagon, phone 693. Cameron & Caldwell. Phone 693. 820 Johnson.

Phoenix Beer, \$1.50 per doz. qts.

When Your Teeth Need Attention have them examined without charge or obligation. Dr. J. L. Thompson. Open evenings.

Phoenix Stout, \$1.50 per doz. qts.

Baby Buggy Tyres put on to stay at Wilson's Repair Shop, 614 Cormorant.

The Sons and Daughters of St. George will hold their regular monthly social dance on Friday, Jan. 16, in St. John's hall, Herald street. Dressers' orchestra.

The biggest business affair in Victoria is the auction sale of toys, novelties, fancy goods, etc., at the Victoria Bazaar, 637 Fort St.

Put It In.—Linoleum for polished floors or linoleum. It preserves the surface, 25c and 50c at R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.

There Will Be a Public Meeting held at the Soldiers and Sailors' home, Esquimalt road, on Friday evening, January 16, at 8.15, at which time the members of the Esquimalt council will give a report of their stewardship for the year. The school trustees are invited to be present and participate in the meeting. A. B. Ellis, C. M. C.

Phoenix Beer, \$1.50 per doz. qts.

The Victoria Gaelic Society will hold their monthly dance in the Forester hall, Friday, the 16th, at 8 p. m. Good programme and music arranged.

The Extension of the E. & N. Railway from Nanaimo to Comox is at present transporting settlers' effects as far as Qualicum river, and will be open next summer for passenger traffic to Courtenay. Farming land in small blocks, with excellent soil, on made roads, can be obtained along this route at \$4.00 per acre, payable over five years, or it can be leased for five years at \$2.50 per acre per annum with option of purchase at any time during that period. This is a unique opportunity for a man with small capital to get on the land. Apply 608 Belmont house. Phone 1914.

Princess Theatre.—Look in the advertisements all this week for your name. If you find it you will receive a free ticket for the Princess for the night it appears.

Missing Brother Sought.—The assistance of the Victoria police has been invoked in the search for Harrison Rumor, who was on the coast of this province early last year. His brother, M. L. Rumor, St. Louis, is anxious to get word of him. The missing man is described as being twenty-four years old, five foot eight inches in height and weighing about 145 pounds. He is of fair hair and complexion.

Final School Board Meeting.—The last meeting of the outgoing school board was held yesterday evening. The board decided on account of the pressure at the George Jay school to construct immediately a small building of a temporary character there, probably of the boarded tent type, such as is in use in other places. This recommendation was made by Inspector Paul.

Seymour Narrows Bridge.—Alderman Cuthbert handed to J. G. Brown, chairman of the Victoria theatre meeting last evening a telegram from Ottawa, from Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works, to the effect that arrangements for the surveys of Seymour Narrows bridge are receiving his attention. This message was a reply to a communication from the alderman asking about progress on the matter.

West Coast Roads.—A deputation from the Vancouver Island Development league will wait upon the members of the government on Monday morning next in relation to the construction of a road to Clayoquot and Ucluelet, by way of Sproat lake and Kennedy lake. The construction of this road has been urged upon the government for a long time as one that is absolutely needed in the interests of the west coast, and another attempt is being made to induce the ministers to put a sum in the estimates to cover this work. The deputation will be introduced by J. G. C. Wood, M. P. P., for Alberni.

A. O. F. Installation.—The deputy chief ranger, Brother W. J. Edwards, and a number of the members of the local courts of the Ancient Order of Foresters, went to Cedar Hill on Tuesday to install the following officers of Court Douglas for 1914: Past chief ranger, W. Bennett; chief ranger, J. Pollock; sub chief ranger, J. Holmes; senior woodward, A. McCourtney; junior woodward, W. Wilkes; senior beadle, A. Payne; junior beadle, J. Hipwood; secretary, G. Clarke; treasurer, J. Hill. The officers were installed by Sister Florie Noble, P. C. R. Arrangements have been made by the order to hold a large dinner at the session on January 27, this being the court's fifth anniversary, and a cordial invitation was extended to all courts in Victoria and visiting members to be present, many dignitaries of the order having promised to attend.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, January 15, 1889.

Capt. W. N. Hole, M. P. P., and Mrs. Hole arrived from New Westminster last evening.

The annual general meeting of the British Columbia Rifle association was held last evening in the office of E. C. Baker, M. P. P. Mr. Baker presided. The report recommended the use of the long Snider rifles for practice.

The Victoria Amateur Dramatic company handed \$41 to President A. A. Green, of the Protestant Orphans' home. This sum was the proceeds of an entertainment given in the Victoria theatre some weeks ago.

A syndicate of Wisconsin capitalists, and Mr. Macaulay, of Victoria, have purchased the Chemainus sawmill and the timber lands connected therewith from Croft and Angus, the owners. The syndicate has also purchased 100,000 acres from the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway.

Sunday Concert.—A fine performance will be given on Sunday, next at 8 p. m. in the Empress theatre by the Fifth Regimental band, when many new selections will be offered to the public. Vocal solos will be contributed by Mrs. Tickner, contralto, and J. O. Dunford, tenor, and A. Hickling will play the cello, while F. G. Strong will act as the accompanist. The overture of the Magic Flute, and the Dance of the Hours will be given.

Navy League Ball.—Tickets for the Patriotic ball which is to take place tomorrow under the auspices of the Navy League Chapter, I. O. D. E., may be obtained from Mrs. Neroutos, 46 Dallas avenue; Mrs. Cookson, 1016 Richardson street; or from any member of the committee in the Alexandra ballroom tomorrow during the hours of 10.30 and 4 p. m. It is hoped that all officers will attend the dance in uniform, and as both services are well represented on the list of patrons the function promises to be a very brilliant affair.

Directors Are Thanked.—At yesterday's meeting of the shareholders in the Royal Victoria theatre, Simon Leiser was re-elected president of the company, several shareholders referring in glowing terms to the services he had rendered in bringing the enterprise to a successful conclusion. The whole directorate was given a vote of thanks for the arrangements it had made and the increase of capitalization and the issue of bonds were heartily approved. The meeting lasted but a few minutes as all that had to be done was to pass upon the work of the directors.

Elected Their Trials.—Two elections were made before Judge Lamson this morning by men committed from the police court for trial. Robert McKane, accused of retaining in his possession the sum of \$46.70 belonging to Oscar J. F. Marshall, chose to be tried by his honor, and his trial will take place on Monday. He is being defended by J. S. Brandon. C. H. Richards, charged with obtaining \$10.50 in cash and flowers to the value of \$4.50 from Henry Callow, on Christmas eve, elected to be tried by a jury and will be brought up at the spring assizes. J. A. Aikman is to appear for the defence.

Had Good Year.—The annual report of the Y. M. C. A., as presented at the members' annual meeting and banquet on Tuesday evening, presents a very gratifying account of work done by the association during the year. The membership list has made a marvelous increase and the financial gains on the membership fees alone stand at \$6,311 on the year. The total receipts for 1913 represent \$38,500 and the yearly expenditure \$35,924—but this includes the payment of a deficit of \$2,503 incurred in the 1912 account, and it is hoped that the small debt remaining will soon be eradicated. In the religious work department 240 meetings were held with a grand total attendance of 9,318, and representing in collections, subscriptions, etc., a profit of \$53 after all expenses were deducted. In the educational department there were 841 sessions and 7,233 in total attendance for the year—the ages of students ranging from 13 to 51 years. This department shows a margin of \$118 profit.

THE PRINCESS STOCK CO.

Have in "The Deserter," which they are staging this week, a play well calculated to show their individual talent, and they are presenting the different characters with a smoothness and attention to detail, seldom seen outside a road attraction. Miss Page excels in Madge Summers and the scenes between her and Mr. Mitchell in the title role, holds the interest so strongly, that at times the silence in the audience is intense. Miss Graham is also doing clever work, and Mr. Belasco is at his best in Col. Marston. The cabaret scene with its entertainers is an innovation that pleases. Miss Davis has a very pleasing voice and personality, receiving the nightly enthusiastic encores—as also does Mr. Hooley in song and dance.

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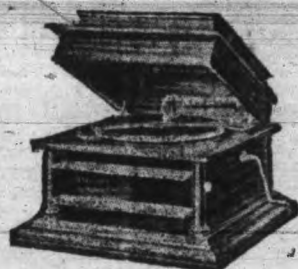
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Decree Nisi Granted.—A decree nisi was granted by Mr. Justice Gregory in the supreme court in the divorce action of Shipp v. Shipp. The petitioner is Edward Shipp, who was represented by J. A. Aikman, while there was no appearance nor defence entered for the respondent. Mr. Shipp has been a resident of the city for some few years. The respondent, to whom he was married a short time ago, came out from England and suddenly disappeared a few days after the marriage. It is supposed that she has gone back to the old land. The case was very short, and on formal evidence being given the decree nisi was granted.

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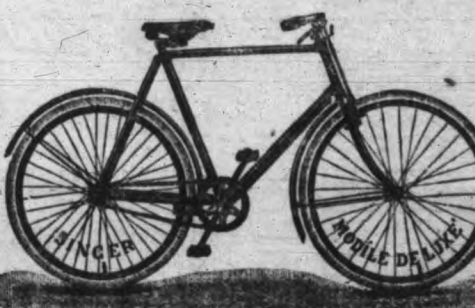
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No. 3 Company Dances.—Arrangements for a dance to be given by No. 3 Company of the Fifth Regiment are in the hands of a committee appointed at the annual meeting of the company.

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Along the Waterfront

Shipping News from Day to Day

EMPEROR COMING IN ON SUNDAY MORNING

Russia Spoken Last Night
Making Smart Time; Japan
Sails for Orient

Storm or no storm the fast C. P. R. Oriental flyer Empress of Russia, Capt. Beetham, always comes into port the morning of her scheduled day for arrival. The ocean leviathan is now on her way in from Hongkong and Yokohama and the operator at Triangle picked up a radiogram from the ship last night in which her master reported that he was 1410 miles from Victoria at 2 a. m. The white liner will be at William Head before daylight on Sunday morning and will come up to a berth at the outer docks about 8.30 o'clock.

The Empress of Russia has yet to make a slow passage across the Pacific. During the four previous trips she has logged the flyer has arrived here less than nine and a half days out from Yokohama and she will succeed in accomplishing the feat again on her present voyage. So far she has succeeded in steaming rings around her sister ship, the Empress of Asia, which has not revealed anything startling in the way of speed.

Much of the credit for the fast passages which the Empress has made is due to Capt. Beetham, the veteran C. P. R. skipper, who will retire from the sea when the Empress reaches Vancouver to take over the duties of ships' husband for the C. P. R. To Capt. Davison will be left the care of the Russia, and there is not the slightest doubt but that he will succeed in upholding the reputation of speed which she has gained. The Russia has two skippers on board. Capt. Beetham is in command and Capt. Davison is coming across on the Russia to familiarize himself with the great leviathan before taking over the reins of authority.

Empress of Japan Out.

Late this afternoon the C. P. R. liner Empress of Japan, Capt. Hopcraft, will put to sea from Victoria bound for the Far East. A wire from Vancouver says that the ship cleared at that port at 11 o'clock this morning and she is due to show up here at 4 o'clock. A number of stowaways passengers will embark here. The Japan has a light list of passengers and a full cargo of general merchandise.

ANOTHER SEA MYSTERY

Valparaiso, Chile, Jan. 15.—Two boats containing the bodies of the second mate and two sailors of the German steamer Acilia were found yesterday in Aguirre bay, Terra del Fuego. The Acilia left Tocopilla, Chile, early in October and later called at Corral, Chile, whence she sailed for Hamburg on October 27.

No report of an accident to the vessel has been received by the authorities, but the papers found on the dead sailors are expected to throw some light on what happened.



The marine and fisheries department announces that a new sea buoy will be established on Scroggy rocks, at the entrance to Esquimalt harbor. The new aid to navigation will be in place in about two weeks.

TIMES SHIPPING CHART

DEEP SEA ARRIVALS.

Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	From	Due
Ajax	Thompson	4,478	Dodwell & Co.,	Hongkong	Mar. 12
Arna	Jentoft	3,520	Evans, Coleman & Evans,	New York	Jan. 30
Awa Maru	Schmidy	3,220	G. Northern,	Hongkong	Feb. 12
Bellerophon	Bebb	5,744	Dodwell & Co.,	Liverpool	Mar. 14
Chicago Maru	Goto	3,820	R. P. Rithet & Co.,	Hongkong	Feb. 20
Canada Cape	Pierce	2,952	C. P. R.,	Sydney	Mar. 15
Cardiganshire	(New)	2,952	C. P. R.,	Sydney	Mar. 15
Empress of Russia	Beetham	8,260	C. P. R.,	Hongkong	Jan. 17
Empress of Japan	Hopcraft	8,260	Balfour, Guthrie,	Liverpool	Feb. 21
Empress of Asia	Beetham	8,260	& B.,	Hull	Jan. 21
Galliano	Wheeler	3,400	Fishery cruiser,	Glasgow	Mar. 16
Karnak	Peterson	4,487	Hamburg-America,	Hamburg	Jan. 20
Merionethshire	Phillips	3,400	F. D. & H.,	Hull	Jan. 30
Mexico Maru	Kobayashi	3,523	R. P. Rithet & Co.,	Hongkong	Mar. 12
Nagasaki	Rowley	1,923	C. P. R.,	Sydney	Mar. 15
Niagara	Morley	7,282	C. P. R.,	Sydney	Feb. 5
Queen Elizabeth	Munro	2,748	Balfour, Guthrie,	Chile	Feb. 20
Randnorshire	Shotton	3,400	C. P. R.,	Sydney	Mar. 15
Seattle Maru	Saito	3,456	Pindlay Durham & Briele	Hull	April 16
Siam (motor-ship)	Ansara	3,317	R. P. Rithet & Co.,	Hongkong	Jan. 23
Tanquer	Tarwood	5,811	C. P. R.,	Antwerp	Jan. 19
Tenby	Yarwood	5,811	Dodwell & Co.,	Liverpool	Jan. 12
Vienna	Althaus	2,628	C. P. R.,	Sydney	Mar. 15
Vienna	Brothwaite	2,628	(Sugar)	Per'n ports	Mar. 15
Walgrave	Mead	2,469	C. P. R.,	Sydney	Mar. 15

UNIVERSITY PLANS

DEMAND LARGE VOTE

Expenditure of Three Millions
Required Within Next
Three Years

It is known from an authoritative source that a substantial vote will be sought from the provincial legislature during the coming session to aid in the proposals of the board of governors of the University of British Columbia. The sum sought will be to cover an expenditure of \$3,000,000 within a fixed period, probably three years.

On the subject yesterday Sir Richard McBride said: "Special attention will be given to the university question at this session in view of the fact that it is to be opened in the autumn of 1915. One of the chief requirements will be the new buildings which will be erected at a cost running into high figures. It is planned to have up to date structures second to none on the continent. The plans laid before the government by the board of governors call for the expenditure of about \$3,000,000 within a fixed period. It is realized that the provincial government will assist materially in the construction of buildings in addition to the land grant for an endowment fund which was provided for some time ago. It is expected that the legislature will be asked for a substantial vote at the forthcoming session in order to provide for a commencement on buildings as an additional step on the project outlined by the board of governors."

It is also stated that the land endowment of 2,000,000 acres required to establish the institution is now being selected in the interior. Much of it has already been surveyed, and this work is to be carried on to completion as soon as possible in order that the plans of the board in connection with the establishment of chairs and the carrying out of other matters along educational lines may not be unnecessarily delayed.

A further request for more land at Point Grey in addition to the 250 acres already set aside for university purposes has been asked for by the board of governors. It is said that the board desires another tract immediately to the south almost as large as the site now in its hands. The additional acreage would be for the use of the agricultural faculty. It is not yet indicated what answer the government will return to this application for the enlargement of the site.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

HAVE ENJOYABLE BALL

Sixth Annual Event Presents
Gay Scene at Empress
Hotel Yesterday

Over three hundred guests assembled in the ballroom of the Empress hotel last evening to participate in the Knights of Columbus' sixth annual ball. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Paterson arrived early with a party, and joined in many of the dances, and the affair was voted throughout to be an unqualified success. Excellent arrangements had been made for the guests' comfort, a dainty supper was served in the large dining-room, and the music provided by Messrs. Bantley and Heaton's orchestra was up to their usual standard of excellence. A special feature of the evening was the graceful performance of the Tango given by Mrs. Lester, of Vancouver, and her partner Mr. Ransford, in response to the special desire of the Lieutenant-governor.

Among the guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Muskett, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. O'Connell, Mr. and Mrs. Sehl, Mr. and Mrs. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. O'Leary, Mrs. P. J. Webbe and Mr. Sweeney, who sat at the Lieutenant-governor's supper table, and others noticed were: Mr. and Mrs. Carlin, Mr. and Mrs. Stelly, the latter in a white beaded gown; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Watson, the latter in white satin and nixon; Mrs. Simpson, in pale blue; Mr. and Mrs. Gelgher, the latter in amber satin with a lace overdress; Mr. and Mrs. Harder (of Tacoma) the latter in white satin sewn with pearls; Miss Roche, in a lovely gown of violet nylon velours with "lovers' knots in brilliants, and a marturium velvet belt; Miss Lorna Dumbleton, in shrimp pink over white with a blue sash; Miss Elleen Dumbleton, in amethyst satin with pink draperies; Miss Archibald, in pale blue nylon broche with pearls in her hair; Mrs. Sidney Small, in an exquisite French gown of cream chiffon velvet with a mauve and blue tulle sash; Miss Webb, in white satin; Miss Hirst, in pale grey satin with yellow chiffon tunic; Miss Marion Trenchard, in white nylon broche with yellow roses; Miss Viola Trenchard, in deep rose satin and shadow lace; Miss Lynch (of North Dakota) in pale blue nylon with black velvet roses; Miss Nieland, in white with red roses, and Mrs. Lester, in a graceful gown of ruby velours trimmed with fur and lace and wearing a paradise plume.

ARTICLE ON VICTORIA

London Times Special Panama Canal
Number Contains Lengthy Reference to This City.

The Pacific Coast edition of the London Times, issued in prospect of the opening of the Panama canal, as already intimated by cable, contains a column dealing with Victoria, both as a residential city of unapproachable excellence, and as a commercial town of rising importance. While temperate in its tone, as articles in the greatest London daily always are, it shows that the writer was at least thoroughly imbued with both the scenic setting of British Columbia's capital and its position as the potential port of shipment for prairie grain when the Seymour

Narrows bridge project is consummated. In this respect the Times says: "Victoria confidently expects to be the port of shipment for a large share of the grain, timber, and other produce of British Columbia and the prairie provinces. So far as mainland produce is concerned, for some years it will have to be brought over by railway car ferries, but Victoria will not be satisfied till a bridge is thrown across the Seymour Narrows. When that is done, and it is far from impossible, transcontinental trains will be found running right through to the island capital. Vancouver Island itself is big enough and rich enough to keep a seaport busy even if there were no mainland in exist-

ence. The island has an area of about 15,000 square miles, which is larger than Switzerland and twice the size of Wales. At present it may be regarded as one of the Empire's great undeveloped estates. Coal mines and timber limits have been worked for many years, but after all, this is only a beginning. Agriculture, too, is only in its infancy, but the areas already under the plough, mere spots and patches of the whole, have demonstrated beyond a doubt the richness of a far larger area which will by degrees be reclaimed from the forest. Referring to the Strathcona park, the writer says: "Much of the interior of the island is

extremely mountainous, but the mountains themselves are a most valuable asset. In the middle of the island the provincial government is creating a "park" which will rank with that of Banff in the Rocky Mountains, or with the Yosemite and Yellowstone in the United States, as one of the greatest scenic playgrounds in the world. This "Strathcona park," 439 square miles in extent, is only now being explored, but it is also being made accessible by railways and roads. The mountains rise from deep wooded valleys and narrow canyons, dotted with tranquil lakes and alive with torrents and waterfalls, to snowy slopes and rocky peaks 7,000 ft. high.

SPECIAL SCENERY BUILT

Royal Stock Company Will Give Fine
Production of "The Fortune
Hunter" Monday.

A pleasant surprise is in store for the theatre-going public of Victoria, when on the night of Monday, January 19, the curtain rises in the Victoria Theatre on the prologue of "The Fortune Hunter," the famous comedy selected by the C. E. Royal Stock company for its opening piece in this city. A crew of stage carpenters and scene

painters has been busy all week building a scene which will be a revelation to the first-nighters in its sumptuous beauty. The view from the window of the apartment of the wealthy young New Yorker is of a well known section of Broadway on New Year's Eve and it has been prepared with such faithful attention to detail that not a feature is missed. The famous scene in the old drug store in which Fred Niblo scored his greatest hit some years ago as the young clerk will also create a lot of amusement. This delightful comedy is one of the

best pieces in the extensive repertoire of the Royal company and although they have played it many times special rehearsals are being held this week so that the opening may be as brilliant as possible.

Jones always did possess a soft heart. This is how he wrote: "Dear Mrs. Lewis—Your husband cannot come home to-day because his bathing suit was washed away. P.S.—Poor Lewis was inside it." Western Mail.

THE COMMONWEALTH

SEMI-ANNUAL

SALE Starts To-morrow

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Many of our patrons have been waiting for this announcement. WE ADVISE THEM TO SHOP EARLY. Being late in the season, several lines are broken in sizes.

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Black Cashmere, regular 25c values.
Sale price, 6 pairs for\$1.00
Black Cashmere, regular 35c values.
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All-Wool Heather Mixture, regular
25c values, 5 pairs for\$1.00
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Cluett's, Forsyth's, Tooke's and
other well-known makes. Regular
values up to \$1.50. Sale price 95¢
Wool Taffeta, regular \$4 and \$4.50
values. Sale price\$2.85
Wool Taffeta, regular \$5.50 values.
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Regular 50c and some 75c values,
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Reg. up to \$20.00. Sale price \$12.75
Reg. up to \$23.50. Sale price \$14.75
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Sale price\$17.75

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Wool

Viking, Turnbull's, Ceetee, Will-
wear and Stanfield's. Regular
values \$3.50 a suit. Sale price (a
garment)\$1.30
31 Odd Garments. Regular values
up to \$1.75. To clear.....90¢

Night Shirts

32 only, Flannelette. To clear at 75¢

Gloves

Dent's and Perrin's in unlined and
silk or wool lined. Regular value
\$1.25. Sale price95¢
Regular value \$1.50. Sale price,
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Dent's Washable Fine Kid Gloves,
regular value \$1.75. Sale price,
only\$1.40

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All the celebrated makes included—
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Knockabout Hats—Only 15 in the
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SPORTING NEWS

BAYLEY WILL GET BOUT WITH KILBANE IF HE BEATS O'LEARY

Ritchie-Murphy Battle Again Postponed; Big Bets Registered on Seattle Boy

Should Joe Bayley succeed in defeating Johnny O'Leary at Stevenson Friday night, the Victoria boy will be immediately matched with Johnny Kilbane at Vernon, Cal., Manager Morris Condon received a wire from Uncle Tom McCarey, yesterday, in which the latter stated his willingness to give Bayley a chance against Kilbane. A defeat will mean that the match will go to O'Leary, and the winner of tomorrow night's bout will probably secure a number of other important matches in the Sunny State. The defeat of Frenchie Vaise, by Azevedo, at Oakland Tuesday night, has eliminated the Renton boy from the California ring, and the southern promoters are anxious to witness Bayley in action against some of the real top notchers.

SIX MAN HOCKEY TO-MORROW NIGHT

Poulin Will Referee the Westminster-Vancouver Game

Skinner Poulin will probably handle to-morrow night's game at Vancouver when the Westminster septette meet the Millionaires. The officials will be appointed by President Frank Patrick to-day, but the Royal City management on Tuesday night expressed a preference for Poulin. The game is a very important one to the Victoria club, inasmuch as a victory for the Millionaires will again send them into the lead in the P. C. H. A. Should the Westminster team pull out a win, and it is just possible that they will, considering that six-man hockey will be in order, Victoria, will stand an excellent chance of getting off to a splendid lead in the race for the Paterson cup.

Allan Parr, the Vancouver goal tend, who was slated for his release this fall, is proving a veritable sensation in the nets for the Terminus, being the leading net guardian of the Coast league to date this season. Bert Lindsay is but two goals behind Parr, while Hugh Lehman is the same distance behind Lindsay. To get a glimpse of the strength of the Coast teams this year, it is only necessary for the fans to look over the summary of goals scored to date. Vancouver, Victoria and Westminster, is the way the list reads, and there is but little difference in the offensive strength of all three clubs.

RICHARDSON'S TEAM WINS BILLIARD TITLE

In the final billiard match between Lorimer's and Richardson's teams, the latter emerged victorious, winning four out of five games. The first series resulted in a win for Richardson's team, while Sam Lorimer's cue handlers took the second contest. Last night's meeting was the final, and Richardson's team holds the local title as a result. The scores were:

B. Irish	Lorimer	250
Hudson	220	150
Licker	220	220
Gardiner	115	220
McDougal	220	220
Richardson	130	220
Orchard	220	220
Murray	220	220
Willot	220	220
Jones	220	220
Freeman	220	220

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O'Leary, and the latter was made a 10 to 8 favorite in the biggest bet that has yet been registered on this bout, a Seattle sportsman wagering \$1,000 to \$800 that O'Leary would win. Bayley has numerous backers both in Victoria and Vancouver, and news of the change of the odds were received with surprise. On O'Leary's showing here, Bayley will whip him inside of the limit. The boys have not yet agreed upon a referee, but it is probable that Biddy Bishop, the Tacoma sporting writer, will be the third figure in the ring.

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—The Willie Ritchie-Harlem Tommy Murphy match for the lightweight championship, scheduled for January 23 in this city, has been postponed until January 30 at the request of the champion because of a sprained heel tendon. It was explained that Ritchie sprained a tendon while on one of his road workouts.

The fight originally was set for December 10, when it rained, Ritchie refused Murphy's offer to fight the next night, because of an abscess in his nose.

CHAMPIONS WIN BY CLOSE SCORE

Government Septette Beaten; Eastern Hockey Results

In a desperate up-hill struggle at the Arena last night, the Government hockey septette just failed to haul down the colors of the champion Y. M. C. A. septette, the final score being 7 to 5 in favor of the maroon and white septette. The winners led 4 to 0 in the early stages of the game, and it looked for a time as if they would have a walk-over. The government forwards responded to the cheers of their supporters in the closing period and gave the Christians a hard fight, the government team scoring fast, but time elapsed before the Parliament septette could even up the count.

Aubrey Archibald's team had an edge in the finer points of hockey and it was the better shooting of the Y. M. C. A. team that finally won them the game.

The Government team showed lots of speed, together with plenty of "pop," their showing being a decided surprise to their supporters. The combination of both teams was excellent and the match, taken all round, was as good as any played at the arena this season. Lester Patrick and Mr. Case handled the game.

A new star is looming up in Eastern professional hockey and the youthful Toronto septette must be seriously considered in the championship race this year. They defeated the Wanderers 10 to 3 last night and have a 6 to 3 victory over the champion Quebec team to their credit. The latter club is not going along so well, while both Ottawa and Canadiens are playing improved hockey. The Ottawa was dropped their first two games, but have won four straight now and will be a tough team to stop. Ontario will have to strengthen, as they no longer look the weakest team in the N. H. A. Last night's scores:

At Montreal—Canadiens, 4; Quebec, 3.
At Toronto—Toronto, 10; Wanderers, 3.
At Ottawa—Ottawa, 6; Ontario, 3.

KILBANE AND MORAN

New York, Jan. 15.—Johnny Kilbane, the featherweight champion, and Owen Moran, the English boxer, have been practically matched to fight ten rounds at 126 pounds ringside January 30.

WARDS LINING UP FOURTEEN SENIORS

Shorty Ward to Come Before League on Pro. Charge

From the preparations that the Wards are making for the Island league, it is evident that the city soccer champions are taking no chances on losing their newly-won honors. The North Ward officers are working very actively to get their men into shape, and they grabbed off a couple of the Rangers to complete their senior squad. The Wards have registered the following fourteen players: Baines, Taylor, Newlands, Crawford, Davidson, Brown, Allen, Pickering, Whitaker, Muir, Nichol, McGregor, McCarter, and Dakers. It is said that Sid Thomas will never play on the half line again, the Wards' captain being determined to go up on the forward line when his leg regains its strength. Thomas will not be able to be around for fully three weeks yet.

W. Sedger has been relegated to play second division soccer for the Victoria West club, and the latter team may lose one of its sterling backs if Shorty Ward is professionalized. Ward is working at the Arena, and it is rumored that charges will be laid against him at the next meeting. The Westerns mean to bring proof forward that he is not a professional athletic instructor. Pearson, who formerly played with the Thistles and Forresters, has been relegated to second division football.

LOCAL SPORTSMEN TO WITNESS BOUT

Vancouver Island Club Selects Committees for the Year

Quite a number of Victoria boxing enthusiasts will travel to Stevenson Friday to witness the fifteen-round bout between Joe Bayley and Johnny O'Leary, there having been a steady demand for tickets at the Two Jacks and Rowe & Poulin's. The local fans figure Bayley to win by a knockout inside the limit, as Bayley himself is confident that he can emerge victorious. Manager Morris Condon will not go over to Vancouver until Friday morning. He states that Bayley has bet quite a bunch of coin on his chances to win, and the mainland enthusiasts are also pulling for the Victoria boy.

SWIMMING RULES WILL BE CHANGED

New York, Jan. 15.—Proposed changes in the rules providing for a senior and junior class in all championship swimming events staged under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic union, have been sent to the board of governors and delegates at large of the union. The change, it is said, is sure of adoption.

Under the present rules a swimmer may compete in a number of championship contests, regardless of the titles he has captured, while under the new rules the swimmer will have to confine his activities to senior contests only.

DIAMOND DEALERS LOSE THREE GAMES

Colonist Office won three games from the Short, Hill & Duncan bowlers in a city league match last evening. This evening the Colonist Printers and Ramblers will play. Scores:

Short, Hill & Duncan.
Aldridge 136 182 342
Bower 132 153 213
Fulcher 191 132 124
Smith 113 107 134
Jones 110 106 106
Totals 571 674 719

Colonist Office.
Hawkins 152 132 106
Buckle 152 142 113
Jones 153 148 159
Clayton 191 158 200
Huxtable 110 104 104
Totals 661 710 822

FACES PRO. CHARGES

Victoria West soccer player, who it is alleged comes under the heading of professional, because of his employment at the Willows Arena.



SHORTY WARD
Victoria West soccer player, who it is alleged comes under the heading of professional, because of his employment at the Willows Arena.

Another Big Reduction For Friday and Saturday at ALLEN & CO. Fit-Reform Clothing

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Men's Fancy Tweed and Worsted Suits

\$18.00 Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$11.35
\$20.00 Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$12.95
\$22.00 Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$14.85
\$25.00 Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$15.95
\$28.00 Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$18.25
\$30.00 Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$19.75
\$32.50 Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$22.45
\$35.00 Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$23.95

Men's Heavy Overcoats

\$18.00 Overcoat.	Reduced price.....	\$9.85
\$20.00 Overcoat.	Reduced price.....	\$12.35
\$22.00 Overcoat.	Reduced price.....	\$13.95
\$25.00 Overcoat.	Reduced price.....	\$15.75
\$28.00 Overcoat.	Reduced price.....	\$17.45
\$30.00 Overcoat.	Reduced price.....	\$19.65
\$35.00 Overcoat.	Reduced price.....	\$23.25
\$40.00 Overcoat.	Reduced price.....	\$27.45

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\$20.00 Serge Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$14.65
\$22.00 Serge Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$16.35
\$25.00 Serge Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$17.95
\$28.00 Serge Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$19.85
\$30.00 Serge Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$22.75
\$35.00 Serge Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$27.45

Men's Full Dress Suits

\$28.00 Full Dress Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$21.65
\$30.00 Full Dress Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$22.85
\$35.00 Full Dress Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$28.35
\$40.00 Full Dress Suits.	Reduced price.....	\$29.65

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\$11.00 Raincoats.	Reduced price.....	\$7.35
\$12.50 Raincoats.	Reduced price.....	\$8.45
\$16.50 Raincoats.	Reduced price.....	\$11.95
\$20.00 Raincoats.	Reduced price.....	\$14.65
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ADMISSION 50 CENTS

SPORTING NEWS

YOUNG BACKSTOPS FOR LOCALS

LIND ANXIOUS TO MAKE GOOD

Federals Sign Mike Mowery; Reds Buy Brooklyn Players

Not only will the Bees have a raft of promising twirling material for the management to look over this March, but the chances are that there will be five or six backstops in the local squad when the training season opens. Yesterday Chief Scout Gleason landed Roesch, a young Seattle wind-up artist, and this morning President Watterlet received a letter from Fred Schultz, at Lind, Wash., catcher who is willing to try out with the Bees at his own expense. This is something new for recruits to offer, and apparently Schultz figures that he can land a regular job with the Bees. This ambitious youngster was immediately told to come along. There will be a dozen twirlers working out for places and a bunch of catchers will be needed to give them proper work before the season opens.

The club is now hunting for two season pitchers and a veteran back-stop. President Watterlet figures that he has the best young catcher in the league in Tony Brotem, and the latter will be given his full share of work this season. Advice from the Kansas State league show that Orval Harrah, who was picked up by Bert Lamb, worked in fourteen games last season, breaking even in the number of games won and lost, though his club only figured up a winning percentage of .291. The following twirlers are now on the local list—Pope, Harrah, Pitcher, Driscoll, Steele, Swaine, Doyle, Worr and Slaton.

CARNIVAL BOOKED

TO-MORROW NIGHT

Special Prizes for Best Costumes at Event at Arena

All arrangements have been completed for the fancy dress carnival, which will be held at the Arena to-morrow night. Manager Lester Patrick announced this morning that a special street car service has been arranged for to handle the skaters and spectators, while Rowland's full band will be on hand to render a special musical programme. The management look forward to one of the biggest crowds that has ever attended an event of this kind in the capital, and as it is possible that this will be the last affair of its kind this season, their expectations seem well founded. The Grand March will be staged at 9 o'clock sharp, immediately after which the skaters not in costume will be allowed on the ice.

Prizes will be awarded to the best costumes shown, also the comic efforts and the judges will be well known local ladies, who will present the premiums immediately after the Grand March has been concluded. This will give all a chance to view the costumes that won the prizes offered. There will be extra attendants in the dressing rooms to look after the wants of the skaters and the skating instructors will also be in attendance.

A real treat is in store for Victorians a week from to-night, at the Willows Arena, when the first ladies' hockey match, ever staged in the capital, will take place between teams of well known local ladies. Lester Patrick has had a large squad of Victoria's smart set training for the past two months, and it is expected that this game will attract one of the biggest crowds that have viewed a game at the Arena this season. Natty uniforms have been provided for the ladies, and after the match, the skaters will be allowed on for an hour and a half. A couple of the local professionals will referee the

match, which will start at 8 o'clock sharp.

The seat sale for the Vancouver-Victoria game at the Arena next Tuesday night, will be placed on sale at Rowe and Poulins' on Friday morning at 8 o'clock. The mere fact that the Terminals will be at the head of the league when they meet the local septette, means that Victoria must win this game, if they are to stay in the running for the coast title.

MAY MEET BAYLEY



JOHNNY KILBANE

Champion featherweight of the world, who is willing to give Joe Bayley a bout at Los Angeles, should the local boy succeed in winning from O'Leary at Steveston to-morrow night.

BAYS MAY GET ANOTHER CHANCE

It is rumored that the Victoria Rugby union, at its next meeting, will throw out the points of the Law Students, which means that the James Bay club will have another chance at the trophy. Nothing has been handed out by the league officials, though it is said that the Vancouver union has followed the course in dealing with the points of clubs who have withdrawn during a season.

Captain Heinekey, will have the following team lined up for Saturday's game:

Full-back, Gnr. Knox; three-quarter, Lieut. Martin, E. Gillespie, S. Gillespie and Meredith; half-backs, D. Diespecker and L. Diespecker; forwards, Heinekey, Williams, Clarke, W. Kroeger, Hill, McIlrae, Monteth and McMillan; reserve, Smith. He wants the forwards and half-backs out to-night and to-morrow night at the J. B. A. gymnasium at 8 o'clock for scrum practice.

FIVE BIG LEAGUE STARS HAVE OFFERS

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 15.—Five major league baseball players who for two months have been negotiating with the Federal Indianapolis club must sign three-year contracts at a conference to be held to-day or the negotiations will be ended. Manager William Phillips, of the local team, announced this yesterday.

The men are Owen Bush, shortstop; George Daus, pitcher, and Pat Bauman, infielder of the Detroit Americans, and Otto Miller, catcher, and Elmer Brown, pitcher of the Brooklyn National league team.

Manager Phillips announced that George Mullin, formerly of the Detroit club, had offered to sign a one-year contract to play with the Indianapolis Federal league team.

THOMSON CUP SERIES.

Vancouver, Jan. 15.—Next Friday night the Victoria high school basketball and football teams will be over for the annual matches in the Thomson cup series. The trophies are at present held by the King Edward high school teams. In the past the teams have come over here together along with the girls' hockey team, but this season the Vancouver girls will play in the Capital on February 14.

ENGLAND AFTER

FAMOUS CUP

Champion Ponies Will Help Recover Polo Trophy

It is learned that those behind the English polo challenge have gathered together the greatest collection of ponies ever collected for an international match. Several months ago, when the English decided to try again for the international cup, the scouts began to look in every quarter of the British Isles for first-class ponies with the result that some great animals were discovered.

W. Balding, the famous polo pony trainer and breeder, ran across a number of "finds." Foremost among the lot is Mynora, owned by Walter S. Buckmaster. Mynora is a four-year-old chestnut mare, which has swept the decks in the heavy-weight class at all the leading shows, and is now the acknowledged champion polo pony of England.

Buckmaster has played Mynora in all the leading matches. Whether or not he will be on the invading team next spring, Mynora will be lost to the expedition, as will another, another noted pony belonging to Buckmaster.

Mynora won the big prizes at Tillington, Ranelagh and Hurlingham. That she should have more than the ordinary turn of speed is only natural, for her sire is Skeddaddie, winner of the Paris Grand National, and now one of the most high-class steeplechase sires at the stud.

Major F. W. Barrett, of the Fifteenth Hussars, who will lead the next international team, played two famous mares in all his matches last season. They are Mavoureen and Kitty, and both are out of the famous polo mare Kathleen, by the equally famous polo pony stallion Right Forward.

Lord Ashby, St. Ledgers, who is mainly responsible for the present challenge, has been playing a pair of tip-top ponies during the season, and these, with several others from his stable, will be included in the cuplifting batch. The brace of leaders are Minnie and Rice Pudding. Rice Pudding caused the biggest sort of a sensation at the Hurlingham show, when he was placed first over Re-Echo, one of the most famous polo animals in the world.

The Duke of Penranda, who played No. 1 on the Quinduna, the present champion of England, is the owner of a wonderful pony in Quicksilver, winner of many prizes the past season. She is reported to have shown amazing speed. She is related to Ascelic Silver, winner of the English Grand National a few years ago.

In all above 70 ponies will be sent for the next attempt on the cup. A big majority of this number will be sent to the practices at Madrid, Spain.

FEDERAL LEAGUE SIGNS ROYAL STAR

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 15.—Frank Smith, pitcher on the Montreal International league baseball team last season, has signed a three-year contract with the Baltimore Federal league club, according to advices received to-day from Pittsburgh.

Smith, it is understood, was being considered for the position of manager of the Pittsburgh Federals, when he signed with Baltimore.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 15.—Charles S. Doolin, manager of the Philadelphia National baseball club for four years, to-day signed a contract to continue as a player and manager for another year. The salary he will receive was not announced.

BILLIARD LEAGUE TO BE FORMED HERE

Representatives of seven clubs will gather at the Westholme billiard parlors to-morrow night for the purpose of forming the Victoria Billiard league, and an effort will be made to firmly establish this grand indoor sport in the capital. A fine cup has been presented to the league by Messrs. Burrows & Watts, and the league will be organized along the same lines as that which is now running in Vancouver. It is the intention of the officers of the league to have the most strict winners meet the champions of Vancouver for the British Columbia title.

To date seven teams have entered, including the Westholme, St. James, Lorrimer's, Broad-street hall, Richardson, Embury and a team from Work Point barracks. Any club or billiard parlor desirous of entering a team can do so by having a representative present at to-morrow night's gathering.

VAISE BEATEN BY JOE AZEVEDO

Oakland, Jan. 14.—Frenchie Vaise, lightweight champion of Canada, was easily beaten by Joe Azevedo in a ten-round bout before the Wheelman's club, here last night. The Benton boy failed to show the class that he exhibited upon the occasion of his last fight with Azevedo, while the latter looked an immensely improved boxer.

Vaise's inability to force the fighting and his continual covering up lost him many points, though Azevedo had a clear lead throughout.

Joe Unvanni, a well-known middle weight middleweight boxer, is anxious to meet Billy Weeks or Frank Mantell. Unvanni is now in Fernie, where he boxes to-night.

There are four members of the House of Lords in holy orders. The best known is the Earl of Stratford, who was formerly chaplain to the speaker.

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BADMINTON TITLES.

Vancouver, Jan. 14.—Entries from all points in British Columbia are being received for the first Badminton championship tournament, which will be held next Friday and Saturday in the drill hall. Over 100 entries have been received. Vancouver, Victoria, Vernon, Nelson, Whonnock, Wallachin and New Westminster will be represented by crack players. Entries will close to-morrow night.

The entrants include seven Victorians: Miss Lawson, Mrs. Shield, Mrs. Wheatley, Miss E. Schmitz, R. Harrison, F. C. Belson and A. W. Gelston.

SIGN ARTICLES.

Paris, Jan. 15.—Jack Johnson, the negro heavyweight pugilist, and Frank Moran, the Pittsburgh heavyweight, signed articles to-day for a twenty-round bout for the championship of the world to be fought on the day or before the Paris Grand Prix race, during the first or second week of June this year. Johnson was handed a cheque for \$35,000, while Moran is guaranteed \$5,000.

PRACTICE GAME.

A practice game between the Sons of England and Empress elevens will be held at Beacon Hill at 2.30 p. m. on Saturday afternoon.

Rubner Lytton must have been something of an infant terrible if we may accept the testimony of his grandson, Lord Lytton, who has just delivered a lecture in London. Lord Lytton said: "At the age of nine this precocious reader of books startled his mother by saying: 'Pray, mamma, are you not sometimes overcome with the sense of your own identity?' His mother replied: 'It is high time you went to school, Teddy.'"

GERMAN SOCIALISTS BLOCK CONTRIBUTION

Fifty Thousand Dollars for Olympic at Berlin in 1916 is Sidetracked.

Berlin, Jan. 15.—The budget committee of the imperial parliament rejected a proposition to-day to appropriate \$50,000 for the Olympic games to be held here in 1916. The rejection of the appropriation was due largely to the feeling of resentment prevailing among Socialists at government's alleged systematic prosecution of the workmen's gymnastic societies. The Socialist deputies voted in a body against the appropriation and the Clericals, joined them, declaring that it was no business of the empire to support such private affairs.

The proposed appropriation will probably be reintroduced in a plenary sitting of the imperial parliament.

ALASKAN COAL IS NOT UP TO EXPECTATIONS

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Preliminary tests of Alaskan coal from the Behring river district have been very discouraging to officials who hoped they might develop a new fuel supply for the navy. Rear-Admiral Griffin, in charge of the investigation, has reported to the house naval affairs committee that the Behring river coal tested so far has fallen so far under expectations in practical use as to be of no value, but from the Matanuska fields and other sections of the Behring district from which coal is yet to be tested the navy is hoping for better results.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS AND COLD IN ITALY

People Terrorized at Leghorn by Shaking Earth for Period of Five Hours.

Leghorn, Italy, Jan. 15.—Six violent earthquake shocks caused a panic among the inhabitants of the city to-day. The people rushed in terror into the streets, and gathered in groups on the squares and other open spaces. The shocks started at 4.25 a. m., and lasted till 2.27. No casualties were reported.

Florence, Italy, Jan. 15.—The intense cold that prevails here has been accompanied by snow, the bitter weather being unprecedented. In the Apennines the snow is two feet deep, and the tram and automobile services are interrupted.

KRAFCHENKO HEARING LAST SEVERAL DAYS

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 15.—The royal commission is continuing its investigation of the circumstances surrounding the escape of John Krafchenko from the Central police station. No morning session was held, but the hearing reopened at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon with a large number of important witnesses still to be called. Every circumstance that has any bearing on the matter, either direct or indirect, is being gone into at great length. No threat of evidence is too trivial to be followed if it promises to lead anywhere. It will probably be several days before the testimony has all been taken.

SHIFT OF WIND SAVES BEACH FROM BREAKERS

Coast at San Francisco Now Unrecognized Because of Action by Sea.

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—A shift in the wind this morning began to calm the angry breakers that for a week past have been hurling themselves on the ocean beach until it is now almost unrecognizable to the many thousands familiar with its old contours. In fact the beach itself has vanished. The sea has eaten away the sands to the very foot of the ocean boulevard and in places has begun to undermine the roadway. The rains have aided the waves, and the steep rock-hewn road leading up from the beach to the Cliff house has in spots started to slide into the sea and in other places has been blocked partly by slides of earth and rock from Soto Heights above.

The concrete bulkhead protecting the three-story marine observatory, opposite the life-saving station, has been battered to bits and is liable to collapse at any moment.

CONSIDER ABSORPTION OF BANK OF VANCOUVER

Montreal, Jan. 15.—That the absorption of the Bank of Vancouver is under consideration was admitted this afternoon by E. L. Pease, general manager of the Royal Bank of Canada. Mr. Pease observed that the taking over of a bank could not be done in a day, but added significantly: "You may say that it is under consideration."

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for
publication must be signed with the name
and address of the sender.C. G. Knowles, of Vancouver, is at
the Empress hotel.O. B. N. Wilkie, of Trout Lake, is a
guest at the Empress hotel.Mrs. J. J. Warren, of Penticton, is a
guest at the Empress hotel.A. E. W. Hagarty, of Vancouver, is
staying at the Empress hotel.C. C. Tinkler, of San Francisco, is
registered at the Empress hotel.A. R. J. Charlesworth, of Crofton, is
a guest at the Strathcona hotel.C. C. Hastie, of San Francisco, is
registered at the Strathcona hotel.Monroe Little, a prominent Seattle
man, is staying at the Empress hotel.Neville F. O'Brien registered at the
Empress hotel yesterday from London.A. R. Margeson, of Westholme, is
among the new arrivals at the Empress
hotel.A. D. MacIntyre, a prominent citizen
of Kamloops, is registered at the Em-
press hotel.J. C. Abbott, of Portland, registered
at the Empress hotel yesterday with
Mrs. Abbott.Among the Duncan people staying at
the Empress hotel are E. D. Taylor and
Howard Fry.S. A. Cosgrave and Mrs. Cosgrave
are guests at the Empress hotel from
Marpet, England.T. M. Allen arrived in the city yester-
day and registered at the Empress
hotel from London.George B. Dowdell, of Hamilton, ar-
rived in the city yesterday and went
to the Empress hotel.Mrs. L. H. Hogan and Miss Wiley,
of Duncan, are among the guests at
the Strathcona hotel.D. Stewart, Mrs. Stewart and Mrs.
George Bishop, of Cowichan lake, are
a party staying at the Strathcona
hotel.H. A. Moore, Mrs. Moore and Miss
Greenwood are a party from Calgary
staying at the Empress hotel. They
arrived yesterday.Mrs. Rowlands will be at home at
her residence, Tyn-y-Coed, 317 Phoenix
Place, on Thursday, January 22, from
4 to 6, and from 8 to 11 o'clock.P. N. Tester and Mrs. Tester, of Sidney,
were in the city yesterday to at-
tend the Knights of Columbus ball.
They stayed at the Empress hotel.Michael Callanan, of Barkerville,
member for Cariboo, and Miss Gladys
Callanan have arrived in the city for
the legislative session. They are stay-
ing at the Strathcona hotel.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Vic-
toria Meteorological Department.Victoria, Jan. 15-5 a. m.—An important
ocean storm area is approaching Vanco-
uver Island; it is likely to cause southerly
gales on the Coast and fresh to high winds
on the Straits and Sound. Rain has been
general over the Pacific slope, and com-
paratively mild weather continues in the
interior provinces.Forecasts.
For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday.
Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds of
gale force from the southward, unsettled
and mild, with rain.
Lower Mainland—Winds mostly easterly
and southerly, fresh to strong on the
Gulf, unsettled and mild, with rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.79; temperature,

45; minimum, 34; wind, 8 miles S.; rain,

.37; weather, cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.73; tempera-

ture, 38; minimum, 34; wind, 6 miles E.;

rain, .24; weather, rain.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.66; tempera-

ture, 24; minimum, 22; wind, 4 miles S.W.;

snow, .24; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.82; tem-

perature, 45; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles S.;

rain, .62; weather, cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.33; tem-

perature, 36; minimum, 34; wind, 23 miles

E.; rain, .46; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.54; tempera-

ture, 10; minimum, 8; wind, 4 miles S.W.;

weather, clear.

Winnipeg—Barometer, 29.39; tempera-

ture, 22; minimum, 21; wind, 6 miles S.E.;

snow, .01; weather, cloudy.

Victoria Daily Weather.

Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5

p. m. Wednesday:

Temperature.

Highest.....43

Lowest.....39

Average.....41

Rain, .30 inch.

General state of weather, cloudy and

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them from surgical operations.If you want special advice write to
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dential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will
be opened, read and answered by a
woman and held in strict confidence.

EMPRESS THEATRE.

The big hit on this week's pro-

gramme at the Empress theatre is the

balancing act of Leonard and Louie,

who are called "The Fashion Plate

Acrobats." They work in street dress

or evening clothes and offer a number

of difficult feats.

Luigi Dell Oro is back again and is

pleasing the public with his simultane-

ous playing of the accordion with

both hands. His selections range from

grand opera to rag-time, and they are

all liked by the audiences. The

Stewart sisters offer a neat act that is

well liked by the audiences. Burke

and Harrison have a singing, talking

and dancing act that is different from

the general run of theatrical acts while

"Huckles Run," the rural playlet of-

fered by Walsh-Lynch and company,

completes a very enjoyable bill. Next

week's bill looks to be an unusually

good one and will be headed by the

celebrated Canadian actor Richard

Milroy and company in the sketch,

"The Fighter and the Boss."

Make Hairs Disappear
Almost Like Magic

(Toilet Tips.)

Advocates of the electric needle for
removing

TURNS THE KEY FOR 1914



GOVERNOR-GENERAL DELIVERS MESSAGE

(Continued from page 1.)

Alberta and British Columbia in the senate.

"The volume of immigration during the present fiscal year promises to be greater than that of any preceding year. It has come in greatest measure from the British Isles and from the United States, but a large stream of desirable immigrants has also reached our shores from other countries.

"You will be pleased to learn that satisfactory arrangements have been made with the various provinces under the agricultural instruction act, passed at the last session. My advisors are convinced that the co-operation between the Dominion and the provinces which is thus afforded will accomplish excellent results in assuring better agricultural instructions and needful improvement of existing methods of agriculture.

"The work on the National Transcontinental railway has been rapidly advanced during the past year, and notwithstanding the difficulties attending the construction of the Hudson Bay railway and the provision of terminals every possible progress has been made in bringing that important project nearer to completion.

"In connection with the highly important subject of transportation of our products the provision of adequate terminal facilities at our great national ports has received, and is receiving the attention of my advisors. You have doubtless learned with satisfaction that the new government terminal elevator at Port Arthur is completed, and that it has been in operation since October last. In conjunction with this a system of interior terminal elevators has been begun which will provide largely increased facilities for the farmers of the great grain-producing provinces.

"The international conference on safety of life at sea, which has been in session in London for several weeks, has had under consideration questions of the highest importance, and it is hoped that its deliberations may result in more effective measure for assuring the safety of the passengers and crews of ocean-going steamships. Representatives of Canada were appointed by order-in-council, and may have been in attendance at all sessions of the conference.

"Gentlemen of the House of Commons: The accounts for the last fiscal year will be laid before you. You will be pleased to know that the revenue has been ample to cover both ordinary and capital expenditures. The estimates for the next fiscal year will be submitted at an early date. They have been prepared with due regard to the necessary development of the resources of the Dominion coupled with careful attention to economy and administration.

"Honorable gentlemen of the senate: Gentlemen of the House of Commons: In inviting your careful consideration of the subjects to which I have called your attention, I pray that the blessings of divine providence may attend your deliberations.

At the conclusion of the ceremony in

GOVERNOR-GENERAL DELIVERS MESSAGE

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the senate chamber the members retired and again betook themselves to the Commons.

There the time-honored procedure took place. The prime minister introduced a bill respecting the administration of oaths of office, which will never be heard of again, and he then gave notice of a motion to take up the speech from the throne. Then the new members were introduced, resounding cheers from their respective sides greeting the appearance of each.

The House then adjourned until tomorrow, when the business will commence.

It is expected that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will in his opening speech on the address introduce an amendment deprecating the absence of mention of legislation designed to decrease the present burden of the cost of living and to render conditions in the Dominion more tolerable to the consumer and producer alike. On this resolution it is expected the debate will hinge, and the free food policy of the Liberals be enunciated.

ACTION AGAINST BANK
Owner of Lost Cheque Sues for the Amount and Seeks Damages Besides for Loss.

An action of an unusual nature was commenced before Judge Lampman this morning. Joseph Morris seeks to recover from the Northern Crown bank the amount of a cheque which was lost and damaged for the failure of the plaintiff and W. C. Moresby for the defendant bank.

The cheque was drawn by R. B. Edwards in favor of the plaintiff and endorsed and deposited in the bank in the ordinary course of business on November 4 last. Sometime between then and November 28 the bank notified Mr. Morris that the cheque had been lost, and after he had formally demanded payment he entered suit for the amount and a further sum for damages which he alleges he suffered through the failure of the bank to collect on the cheque.

The loss of the cheque is admitted but the bank is resisting the claim for damages. The further hearing of the case is adjourned until January 20.

"WHERE'S CUTHBERT?"

When Ex-Alderman Beard criticised the carnival at the theatre meeting last evening, cries came from the audience of "Where's Cuthbert?"

Alderman Cuthbert, however, had left the platform at the time.

SALTS AND SENNA

Can you forget the horror of it? Oh, how it clings to memory, the one blot on an otherwise happy childhood; now you have become a woman; same old blinding attacks, head splitting, and those awful vomiting fits; same old misery. Better have your physician examine you for gall stones, because there is no doubt but that is the cause of it all. Senna treatment should be taken at once. Senna will dissolve the stones and permanently cure you. Sold by all druggists. Manufactured by Sano Mfg. Co., Winnipeg.

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT NOW IN SECOND SESSION

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pared and filed with the secretary of the commission.

The public accounts for the past fiscal year will be laid before you, and the estimates of expenditure will also be submitted for your consideration. These and all other matters which may be brought before you will, I feel assured, receive your careful and earnest attention.

On his retirement from the legislative hall prayers were said by the Bishop of Columbia, and the House was declared by the Speaker to be in session.

An adjournment was then made till tomorrow at 2 o'clock, when the reply to the address from the throne will be moved by W. J. Manson, Dewdney, and seconded by W. W. Foster, member-elect, the Islands.

Nearly 600 invitations were sent out by the Speaker to the opening this afternoon, and every available inch of space in the public galleries and on that portion of the floor of the House allotted to visitors for the occasion was taken up. Prominent among the dignitaries present were judges of the court of appeal and the lower courts, legislative agents, ex-members of the legislature, members of the clergy, including the Bishop of Columbia and the Bishop of Victoria, and many prominent citizens of Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster with their wives and families.

Among those present were: Mrs. Patterson, in a blue cloth gown and wearing a velvet coat with hat to match trimmed with white plumes; Lady McBride, in wine-colored brocade trimmed with lace and fur, and hat en suite; Mrs. Bowser, wife of the attorney-general, in a blue velvet gown trimmed skunk, and Miss Bowser, in an elegant navy blue suit with a black hat. Mrs. Bowser's party also included Miss Bowser, from Vancouver; Miss Newsome, from Whonnock, and Mrs. Irving, from New Brunswick. Mrs. Young, wife of the minister of education, was in a white tailor-made dress, with handsome mink furs, consisting of stole, muff and hat to match; Mrs. W. E. Scott wore a black and white striped suit with a small black hat, and Miss Scott looked charming in navy blue with a white Albee blue hat; Mrs. Taylor wore an Irish crocheted blouse with white cloth skirt and a black satin coat and plumed hat; Mrs. Eberts looked elegant in a black cloth costume with velvet hat, and Miss Eberts was smartly attired in rose color; Mrs. W. W. Foster wore a dainty peach-colored gown and a white cloth coat, and a black hat with blue ostrich feathers; Mrs. J. A. Macdonald was beautifully gowned in pale yellow satin with a Copenhagen blue broadcloth wrap and hat en suite; Mrs. Gregory looked handsome in a violet satin suit with hat of the same color, and Mrs. Blakemore wore a becoming brown beaver morning suit with a black astrachan hat trimmed with white feathers. Mrs. Barnacle and Miss Pinkyson arrived together. Mrs. Musket, Mrs. R. H. Pooley, and Mrs. Dennis Harris were unavoidably absent.

CITIZENS SELECT MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Record Poll Promised for Council and Trustees; Parties Each Confident

Polling day in the municipal elections opened in dull weather, but with promise of a very large vote, due mainly to the huge slate for aldermen. Each of the 27 aspirants for seats at the council board had undertaken to bring every available vote up to the polls, so that the majority election, which has been much quieter than in past years, will benefit accordingly. No great burning issue had developed during the campaign to divide the city, and it was mainly on the financial policy of the year that Alderman Gleason and his colleagues of the city finance committee had to make their appeal. The new men and former aldermen were all forced into the position of either accepting or defending the policies enunciated by the leaders of the retiring council.

An energetic canvass of the city has been conducted by both parties, and for weeks the committee rooms have been busy with friends of each majority candidate, agreement-holders being particularly looked after, as their franchise the legislature has left in the most perplexing character.

Returning Officer Northcott had a larger list to provide for, some 3,750 names-up against 7,700 twelve months ago, this being largely due to the increase in agreement holders. He had arranged the polling places in a central position, all within a block of one another, except that in Johnson street, which is on the north side of the street, between Government street and Broad street.

The headquarters of the candidates are around the booths, Mr. Stewart being at 1203 Douglas street, and Mr. Gleason at the corner of Pandora avenue and Broad street. The Voters' league and the Political Equality league have also headquarters on Cormorant street, mainly for maintaining interest in the referendum.

Both sides started the day well supplied with carriages and automobiles, and a long list of workers. The active partisans looked for a scattered vote for aldermen, with recognition of the claims of retiring members of the board for re-election.

The candidates to-day are:

For Mayor—Alderman Gleason and ex-Alderman Stewart.

For Aldermen (19)—Aldermen Cuthbert, Fullerton, Dilworth, McCandless, McNeill and Porter (retiring); ex-Aldermen Okell, Bragg, Bannerman, Beard, Ross, Messrs. G. Bell, J. Sheppard, A. E. Todd, W. C. Van Munster, H. J. Sanders, Clarence Harris, W. J. Sargent, Capt. McIntosh, Samuel Bartlett, T. W. Howard, Dr. Humber, A. Mackenzie, H. G. Dauby, J. L. Martin, J. D. McDonald and A. Pike.

For Trustees (4)—George Jay, P. J. Riddell and Dr. G. A. B. Hall (all retiring); W. G. McLaren, J. E. Andrews and C. E. Davidson.

The polling places and deputy returning officers are as follows:

FOR MAYOR.

A to G—Police court room, A. McIlvride.

G to M—440 Cormorant street, J. B. McCallum.

N to Z—646 Cormorant street, E. L. Gleason.

FOR ALDERMEN.

(Ten to be elected.)

All in Market Building.

No. 1—A to D, G. R. Orton.

No. 2—E to L, A. E. MacEachran.

No. 3—M to Q, C. N. Tubman.

No. 4—R to Z, A. J. Leary.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

(Four to be elected.)

B. C. Pottery building, 656 Pandora avenue.

No. 1 booth, Thomas Tubman.

No. 2 booth, James Bell.

SCHOOL BY-LAWS.

At 618 Johnson street.

No. 12, A. E. Mills.

No. 13, James Anderton.

No. 14, William Lorimer.

FOR REFERENDUM.

(Two papers given to each voter.)

Market Building.

1. Is it desirable that all liquor licenses should be leased subject to legal obligation that issues thereunder be made only between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., and that all premises mentioned in the license remain closed from 8 p.m. each Saturday until 8 a.m. on the Monday following?

2. Is it desirable that the municipal, provincial and federal franchise be extended to women on equal terms with men voters?

Also:

1. Should the necessary legislation be passed to give municipalities the power to regulate the hours and conditions of sale of intoxicating liquors?

2. Should the necessary legislation be passed to give municipalities the power to elect the boards of licensing and police commissioners?

The polling became busier as the morning advanced, and the skies brightened, bringing out the class of voter who had always to be coaxed or conveyed to the polls.

Each side is confident of success. At 10:50 a. m. 600 had exercised the franchise, and the only word of complaint heard around the polls was that the polling place for school by-laws was too far removed from the other polling places.

The streets round the city hall were filled with vehicles during the afternoon, and most of the figures familiar with the municipal life of Victoria in the past decade were to be seen actively working for friends. Numerous aldermanic candidates were ready to extend the glad hand of fellowship to prospective supporters, and encourage the regeneration of the city by having a favorable ballot cast.

The poll for the majority is expected

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January Sale News

Only 15 Days More for You to Take Hold of This Great Opportunity to Save Money on High Grade Ladies' Ready-to-Wear

Waists in Large Assortment at Sale Prices

Viyella and Flannel Tailored Shirtwaist, very suitable for present wear. Colors grey, red, navy, fawn, sky, black and white, in a large variety of fancy stripes. Made with double collars and cuffs. Values to \$3.50. \$1.90

Materials are messaline silk, velvet and chiffon-covered lace. Made up in many new and dainty styles, and trimmed with shadow lace, chiffon and fancy buttons. Colors are black, brown, sky, navy and fancy stripes. Values to \$7.50. Price \$2.90

Silk Striped Delaine Waists. These are all strictly man-tailored; the materials selected are the very finest. Colors are wine, navy, grey and blue, showing trimmings of erise, saxe and gold. Some prettily embroidered in neat designs. Values to \$10.75 \$4.90

Colors are sky, apricot and cream. Materials are beaded crepe de chine and chiffon over silk and lace, daintily trimmed with lace, silk, beadings and Peter Pan colors. These are all very pretty Waists. Values to \$13.75. \$6.90

Ladies' Smart Footwear at January Sale Prices

Gordon's High Top Tan Button Shoe, a very dressy shoe. Regular \$6.00 per pair. January Sale \$4.65

A large number of odd sizes, mostly small, some leather lined. Regular values to \$5.50. January Sale \$2.35

Dorothy Dodd High Top Button Shoes. Very classy, neat and comfortable. Regular \$6.00. January Sale \$4.65

Dorothy Dodd Tan Shoes in broken sizes. Regular \$6.00 per pair. January Sale \$4.65

Values That are Seldom Seen in Smart Coats

A lot of splendid Coatings have been made up into the stylish Coats in many designs and colorings. Regular values to \$22.50. January Sale \$9.75

Kimono sleeves, Bulgarian backs, plush collars and cuffs are among this line of distinctive Coats. Regular values to \$30.00. January Sale \$12.75

Astrachans, blanket cloth and nobby reversible materials, made up into the newest styles, comprise this splendid lot. Regular values to \$37.50. January Sale \$16.75

Made of silk astrachan and chinchilla, broadcloth, French moleskin and other popular coatings. New and classy styles are well represented. Regular values to \$75.00. January Sale \$27.75

Remarkable Sale of Hat Shapes

Velour, plush and beaver shapes, in a host of styles and colorings. Regular values to \$8.50. January Sale \$2.50

Sale of Dressing Gowns

Made of warm soft eiderdown, edged with satin; nice variety of colorings. Regular values to \$6.50. January Sale \$3.90

Clearing Out All Embroideries

Embroideries in many new and pretty designs marked down to surprisingly low figures—1 to 3 inches wide. January Sale price, per yard 6¢

2 to 4 inches wide. January Sale price, per yard 10¢

Insertion to match at sale prices.

to be known at about 9:30, that for trustees soon after 9 o'clock, while the scattered voting for aldermen makes it impossible to forecast when those ballots will be counted completely.

The vote improved as the day wore on, the total number who had polled at 1:45 p.m. being between 1,700 and 1,800.

Returning Officer Northcott says that, after the close of the poll at 7 p.m., the boxes from the three booths for mayor will be taken to the city hall for counting, and probably, in view of the events of last year, when there was a disputed result, a recount will follow the first count, although that may possibly be postponed till tomorrow. No official estimate is forthcoming of when the aldermanic result will be known, as the officers decline to commit themselves to any prophecy on account of the numerous candidates in the field. At the time of going to press no untoward incident had occurred to interfere with the progress of the voting.

The purple, white, and green of the Political Equality league, and the white badges with red lettering of the miners' collections were much in evidence, and many were the coins collected for the wives and children of the imprisoned miners.

TWO FIREMEN KILLED.

Bangor, Maine, Jan. 15.—Two firemen were killed by a falling wall while fighting a fire that destroyed the Bangor opera house to-day. The property loss was about \$100,000.

RAIN IN CALIFORNIA.

Los Angeles, Jan. 15.—The storm which reached southern California yesterday has brought nearly an inch and a half of rain to Los Angeles. It continued to rain to-day. The seasonal rainfall to date is 6.05 as compared with 2.68 up to the same date last year.

SAANICH CONTEST IS NEARING ITS CLOSE

Warm Meeting in Gorge District Arouses Feeling; Final Rally To-morrow

A vote of confidence in Councillor McGregor, in his candidacy for reeve of Saanich, was passed at a meeting held in the Gorge district, in Ward Seven, last evening.

Naturally in a district where a good deal of feeling has been shown in the past twelve months, the district having been given for the first time a direct representative in the council, there was a desire at the meeting to inquire into the record of the members of the late body. Some bitterness arose out of the remarks of E. H. Cotterill, a civil engineer, who has been a constant critic of the majority. After the meeting Percy Bannerman, secretary of the Progressive association, asked Mr. Cotterill for an apology, which he did not give.

Mr. Nicholson dealt with his record in the council as reeve for the last four years, and answered attacks on his administration, while Councillor McGregor denied that if elected the council would be passive to the appeals of suburban residents for water and sewers. The candidates in the ward, J. B. Adams and W. J. Waters, addressed the meeting on their policies, and school trustee candidates Campbell, Kennedy and Hancock also spoke. To-night Ward One association has

a meeting at Cedar hill, while to-morrow will come the final rally in the most populous part of the district, at St. Mark's hall, Maywood. All principal candidates will attend there.

KILLED BY DYNAMITE.

Port Arthur, Ont., Jan. 15.—James Angus, foreman for one of the Pigeon lumber camps, is dead as the result of an explosion of dynamite which others were attempting to thaw.

THE REPLY EFFECTIVE.

Senator Root, to whom the Nobel peace prize has just been awarded (says the Manchester Guardian), has a way of his own with interviewers who have not mastered the subject they are talking to him about.

At a time when there was a difficult situation between America and China he received in his office at Washington a group of newspaper reporters who piled him in turn with questions. The last man said to him: "Mr. Secretary I am informed that the president very tired of Minister Conger, and going to get rid of him."

"Ah!" replied Mr. Root, with a parent relief—that the secret was out—"you have discovered that at last, have you?"

"Yes; and now could you tell me whether Mr. Conger will be dismissed or simply superseded?" "Neither," the president, with careful regard for Oriental etiquette, will send him a polite letter."

A pathetic incident is reported in connection with the purchase of the Duke of Bedford's Covent Garden estate. "Had I known," said an aged and wealthy burglar, with tears in his eyes, "that Bow street police court was for sale, I would have bought it, thing myself and razed it to the ground."—Punch.

CANDIDATES MAKE THEIR FINAL APPEAL

Crowded Gathering Listens to
Arguments for Return at
Poll; 23 Speak

Winding up a sharp, short campaign, the candidates for the majority, aldermanic board, and school trustees concluded at the Victoria theatre last evening their appeal to the electors of Victoria.

J. G. Brown, who presided, had difficulty with the meeting at times, as some of the audience were very persistent in asking questions of the speakers, for which time did not permit.

Both majority candidates had a good reception from the crowded house, neither deserting with very much new matter, regarding the meeting rather as an opportunity for rounding off the words of former meetings than for advancing new claims for recognition, the chairman's gavel cut short many of the oratorical flights from aldermanic speakers.

Majority Candidate Stewart dealt briefly with the financial statement, the extent of declaring Mr. Gleason, in claiming that the situation was rosy, as drawing a red herring across the path. This he hoped would deceive no one. Old debts were unpaid, to which the candidate referred briefly, particularly to the Worcester company's bill for paving done in 1911-12. So that things were not so rosy as Mr. Gleason could have his hearers believe, he observed.

Turning to public works he favored by labor, except in cases where connecting firms were in a position with ant and materials to do the work economically. He declared his approval of the city establishing a municipal plant, as a move in the right direction. (Applause.)

The candidate deprecated the slanders statements made about him in the canvass, denied any association with the liquor interests, and assured the hearers of his intimate knowledge of the city's social conditions, promising the maintenance of high moral and social purity in the community.

Reading from a document which he had prepared, Stewart spoke of the problem of meeting liabilities arising from lavish expenditure of recent years, observed: "I do charge a want of sound methods and of sound judgment in the management of all these items."

He held the mayor chiefly responsible for these conditions, and Ald. Gleason, having backed up the mayor, Mr. Stewart said, must be held equally responsible with the mayor.

Some of the obligations which the present council had left to its successors were:

To pay off the \$2,000,000 of treasury bills still outstanding. 2. To pay the \$500,000 overdraft at the bank. 3. To set up several street widening schemes inherited from 1911. 4. To complete the street paving already passed by the council. 5. To extend Pandora avenue through to Oak Bay, and wide and pave the same. To pay the \$25,000 already voted to Jubilee hospital. 7. To restore the 0.000 borrowed from sinking funds. To meet the last Sooke loan of \$1,000. 9. To build the bridge. 10. To provide for the schools. (Applause.)

Mr. Stewart was cordially received throughout.

Ald. Gleason first appealed for the election of the members of the late finance committee. They had worked well and faithfully, he declared. (Applause.)

Mr. Stewart's observations, I expressed his confidence in a plan definite civic improvements, to be completed by year, and grow into symmetrical whole.

He had no sympathy with the policy blue ruin cities adopted by some people, declaring that the best policy was to go steadily, so that 12 months they would be as much farther as they had been in the past five months. Taking up the question of expenditure the candidate stated that the cost of maintaining streets had been last year cut down \$264,000 to \$24,000. His opponent, he claimed, and he proceeded to point figures to show that the general overdraft of \$200,000, overdraft on dry accounts of \$206,000, and a large amount of local improvement charges all been paid off in the year.

He alderman supported the retention of the fiscal agents, the Dominion utilities corporation, and turning to sewerage matters, he expressed a desire to have the water in Elk lake mined, with a view to its use for

erate car service on Haultain Street and Quadra Street routes. The establishment of a civic paving plant and employment of British subjects.

I shall move immediately for the appointment of an industrial commissioner, whose duties will be to induce manufacturers and capitalists to commence industries in Victoria and vicinity.

Such an official has been instrumental in establishing immense industries in many Canadian cities, thus furnishing employment to thousands of persons and giving opportunity to young men to learn trades.

TORTURED WITH RHEUMATISM

Could Not Walk, Until "Fruit-a-tives" Completely Cured Him

"Chatham, Ont., April 3, 1913. 'I am a veteran of the Crimean War and the Indian Mutiny, volunteering from the Royal Artillery into the Royal Engineers, and served under Lord Roberts during the Indian Mutiny, and am a pensioner of the British Government. I was severely wounded in the hand fighting and continual exposure left me a great sufferer from Rheumatism, so much so that my legs swelled up, making it impossible for me to walk. My bowels were so constipated that I only had one passage a week until I got to using 'Fruit-a-tives.' They cured me of both the Rheumatism and Constipation. In my regular employment I walk thirty miles a day and enjoy perfect health. No more Rheumatism or Constipation. You are at perfect liberty to publish this letter if it will be advantageous to 'Fruit-a-tives.'"

"GEORGE WALKER." Don't suffer with Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lumbago or Neuralgia all this winter. Take 'Fruit-a-tives' now and be free of pain. See a box, 5 for \$2.50 or trial size, 10 for \$1.00. At all dealers or sent on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

Irrigation and similar purposes in the summer.

The candidate denounced as an "iniquitous effort" the attempt of the Canadian Northern railway to have a temporary pile bridge put across Sooke lake. (Applause.)

He mentioned the state of the negotiations in connection with Johnson street bridge, and also hoped that the Laurel point bridge project would be remembered for future consideration. After five years in the council he thought he might claim consideration to have time to finish his work, financially and otherwise.

He hoped the position of mayor as a means of giving larger service to the people. (Applause.)

As chairman of the school board for eight years, and a member for 13 years, Trustee George Jay dealt with school matters, and particularly answered criticism of the alleged excess of supervision in the schools. He pointed out that there were senior instructors rather than supervisors. He explained the by-laws to be voted upon, and the reason for their submission.

The alderman spoke in turn, Ald. Dilworth telling the audience that now comes the day of paying after the pleasure of the meeting.

John Sheppard, George Bell, who pleaded for a Johnson street bridge built by the city on its own account, and Ald. Cuthbert next spoke in turn. The last named claimed that the fiscal brokers found they had purchased bonds on a falling market, and wanted security against future loss. He claimed his record on the day labor question, and on the engineering issue were reasons for his return.

Next came Ald. McNeill. He deprecated the policy of repudiation of contracts which was urged in some quarters. The city must meet its undertakings. Ald. McCandless said it was impossible to expect any reduction of taxation this year.

A. E. Todd advocated economy as an essential, believing a slight increase of taxation inevitable. Ald. Porter outlined a reasonable programme of progressive work. J. D. McDonald, J. L. Martin, who appealed for the labor party, Ed. Bragg, W. Mc. K. Ross, W. C. Van Munster, Clarence Harris, H. J. Sanders, who said the financial situation of Victoria had been largely one of afterthought, instead of forethought, and Capt. McIntosh all followed.

T. W. Howard, ex-Ald. Beard, who said he would see the promises of former speakers carried out, and W. J. Sargent concluded the aldermanic candidates.

To a rapidly diminishing house the school trustee candidates present also briefly spoke.

VICTORIA DRUGGIST DESERVES PRAISE

Hall & Co., corner Yates and Douglas streets, deserves praise from Victoria people for introducing here the simple buckthorn bark and glycerine mixture, known as Adler-ika. This simple German remedy first became famous by curing appendicitis and it has now been discovered that JUST A SINGLE DOSE relieves sour stomach, gas on the stomach and constipation INSTANTLY. It's quick action is a big surprise to people.

FOR ALDERMAN

To the Electors. Ladies and Gentlemen:— Yielding to the persistent requests of a large number of Victoria's leading citizens and taxpayers, I have consented to stand for aldermanic honors at the forthcoming election.

The time allowed candidates at the meetings being insufficient to enable me to properly place my views before you, I append herewith my line of policy should I be elected:

I am in favor of a park site on the Reserve in Victoria West. I shall press for the immediate repair and opening of Rock Bay bridge.

The work on the sewers should be rushed to completion. The construction of the bridge at Laurel Point, giving connection with Victoria West and James Bay.

Completion of Pandora avenue improvements.

Pressure to be brought on the B. C. E. R. to institute and op-

FOR MAYOR

Dear Sir or Madam:— As a candidate for the Mayor's chair I wish to place before you my views upon some of the civic questions of pressing moment to all citizens.

Public Works. All public works that have been undertaken and partially completed must be finished as speedily as possible. The Sooke Lake Water undertaking, the Northeast and Northwest Sewers, and various local improvements should be pressed forward as rapidly as workmen can be used and funds provided.

As assessments cannot be made upon property benefits until the improvements have been completed.

I appreciate what the opening up of the Indian Reserve will mean to the city from an industrial point of view, as well as others, and the construction of a connection by bridge and road to Victoria West and Esquimalt will have immediate attention, and my best endeavors will be put forward for the very earliest commencement and completion of this work. The time has arrived for a civic asphalt plant to be operated by day labor.

Finances. The financial affairs of the city have been the subject of considerable controversy of late years, and it is a question into which it is impossible to go thoroughly at this time, but I will assure the electorate that this phase of municipal administration will have my careful and thoughtful attention, always bearing in mind that I will have to think of the years to come while making provision for present needs.

Taxation. The abnormal expenditures of the past few years have swelled the taxes to an alarming extent, and many persons find it difficult to meet the annual taxes upon their homes. I propose to cause a searching inquiry to be made into all branches of the city's expenditures with a view of applying business methods. I would not impair the efficiency of any service of the city, but would endeavor at all times to give the citizens full value for the taxes collected.

Contract vs. Day Labor. There are certain public works that call for large expenditures for machinery and plant for which it may be better to obtain contracts from established firms, having the necessary facilities. Other than these, I am in favor of day labor under the control of competent foremen.

City Morals. The growing sentiment in favor of a clean moral city meets with my hearty approval and endorsement without discrimination or favor. I propose, if elected, to observe the oath of office taken by every Mayor and enforce in a spirit of fairness and firmness the laws enacted for the well-being and good of the city.

Artistic Development. The beautification of the city should not only continue, but be carried out under a recognized system and plan of development. The City Parks and open spaces are a splendid heritage for generations yet to come, and it behooves the City Council to steadily pursue methods which will make for the further development of the "City Beautiful" in every section of the Municipality. The matter of a park for the citizens of Victoria West will also be a matter which I will do my best to consummate.

Honor and Honesty. The insinuations of dishonesty that have of late years been aired in the Council from time to time, and upon several occasions have caused investigations to be held, all of which have resulted in the person charged being acquitted, are, in my opinion, detrimental to the city's interests, and have a tendency to keep some of our most honorable and respected citizens from taking the active interest in municipal affairs they otherwise would. While being prepared at all times to fearlessly punish wrongdoing, I believe that no serious charge should be made without substantial proof, as the good name of our city, as well as that of our citizens, is one of the things to which I would like to point with pride.

I point to the ten years of aldermanic service I have rendered and hope that should the electors place upon me the greater responsibility of the Mayoralty, I shall be able to give still greater service in the enlarged duties of this important office.

Yours respectfully,
ALEX STEWART
Victoria, B. C.,
December 15, 1913.

For the Mayoralty

To the Electors:— In presenting myself before you as a candidate for the office of mayor, I have pleasure in stating a few of the principal matters which would have my special care and attention, if elected:

First. As regards the Sooke water, the completion of this work by the end of 1914 ought to be pressed forward. I would endeavor to secure the prosecution of the work so that the interests of our own workmen and ratepayers would be protected, always with a due regard to economy.

Second. I think there ought to be a commission appointed to report upon the best means of utilizing Elk Lake so that the increase of population comes the problem of dealing with children, who, because of inherited tendencies or of improper environment, are in danger of drifting into criminal ways and so of becoming a charge upon the community instead of a source of strength. To care for this class is the duty of the community and is an economic measure of self-protection that we owe to ourselves.

Fourth. It would be my earnest desire to promote every interest for the moral well-being of the city, with a scrupulous regard for fair treatment all round and the proper enforcement of the laws governing the city's life. In the past I have never given an adverse vote where the moral interests of the community have been involved.

Fifth. Paving. I would aim at

early completion of the work under contract, and my own plan with a definite policy for the extension of the paved area year by year, as rapidly as possible, and consistent with our financial ability.

Sixth. Financial matters will have my special attention. It will be necessary to practice economy during the next year. I am opposed to borrowing any further money excepting for the Johnson street bridge, and what is absolutely necessary for the school board. Taxation must not be increased. Provision should be made for the local improvement works in progress.

All government property which is revenue producing should be taxable. I will, if elected, give the same careful scrutiny to the financial affairs of the city which has enabled your present finance committee to present a clean balance sheet at the close of this year.

Seventh. It has been my privilege to give five years of service on the city council, during which time I have acquired an intimate knowledge of the work done by the city during its period of greatest development. If elected, I would give careful attention to every detail of business of the corporation and would be sure to devote my time and energy in serving the interests of the entire community.

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For Alderman

As a resident of the City of Victoria for thirty years, I do not consider it necessary for me to introduce myself to the electors of the City. For three years I was a member of the City Council. My record during that time will satisfy you whether or not I am a candidate for Alderman.

I am strongly in favor of providing a public park for Victoria West, and will support any measure leading to this end. I stand for day labor on civic works and under competent, independent foremen. Where expensive machinery and plant are required for special work, which could not be economically used again, I would advocate awarding contracts to the lowest bidder.

I shall advocate employment of citizens upon all public works.

The harbor bridges, open spaces and parks, waterworks and sewer system, hospitals, and all public institutions, shall have my unbiased consideration and assistance.

Having firm faith in the great future of Victoria, I stand generally for a policy of effective municipal progress conducted on sound business lines.

I shall esteem it an honor to represent my native city in the city council, and respectfully solicit your support and influence.

Yours faithfully,
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For School Trustee

Ladies and Gentlemen:— I am a candidate for re-election to the School Board, and should I be honored by being elected, I will use my best endeavors to fulfill the position in the interests of education.

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GEO. A. B. HALL, M.D.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria

I am a candidate for Alderman for the year 1914. Your vote and influence respectfully solicited.

DAVID MCINTOSH.

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I am a candidate for re-election for the ensuing year. Your support solicited.

R. J. Porter

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Ladies and Gentlemen:— I am a candidate for re-election and respectfully solicit your support and influence. If elected I will endeavor as in the past to merit your confidence and do everything in my power to further the best interests of our city.

Yours respectfully,
W. F. FULLERTON.

For Alderman

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To the Electors of Victoria. As a candidate for Alderman at the coming election I have to say that I was a member of the Council of 1910, and was chairman of the streets and sewers committee for that year. I am willing that you judge me by my work and policy during that time. I endeavored to run municipal matters on strictly business lines, and if elected shall still try to do so.

It is apparent to anyone taking an interest in financial conditions that the Council for 1914 will be forced to practice a judicious economy.

The main cause of the present financial condition is that in past years very lax methods were used in carrying out the works authorized under the Local Improvement By-laws, and the only remedy is, before beginning any new local improvement works, to complete all works for which by-laws have been passed. Close up the by-laws, and in this way make the debentures available. Among the books of the City of Victoria, as ready begun; 3. The building of the Johnson street bridge.

Promising to look after your interests in these, and all other matters to the best of my ability, I respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

Yours truly,
A. M. BANNERMAN.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria

Ladies and Gentlemen:— I have consented to be a candidate for the third time for a seat on the Board of Aldermen.

I am in favor of the immediate commencement of Pandora Street and other improvements, which have already been named; the bridging of the harbor to the Reserve from the center of the city, as well as from Laurel Point; the establishment of a city-owned public market; the building of a new jail; the reorganization of the finances of the Jubilee Hospital; that the City shall bear its proportionate share of the up-keep of the completion of the Sooke Lake Water Works and sewerage system; the encouragement and patronage of our own industries and business men wherever possible; the employment of our own citizens on City work; no new work except of an urgent character to be constructed this year and the strictest economy practiced in the carrying out of civic business.

The taxes this year should be reduced, and will be so far as I am concerned, if it can be done; but you must realize that the City is beginning to feel the heavy burden of the City Debt created upon its revenue now that its share of the Local Improvement works authorized since 1910 must be paid, and the increase in the cost of Sooke Lake Waterworks from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000 taken care of.

These are matters for most serious consideration, as is the continually increasing cost of education, which must be provided for.

I have done my best to represent you faithfully, without fear or favor, and I think that this year I have helped to save the City from a good many fatal and expensive mistakes. During my term of office, I have nothing to regret or to take back, for I have honestly and conscientiously endeavored to do my duty to the City as a whole, without considering individuals or parties under the most trying and disheartening conditions.

In 1914, I anticipate much better conditions than during the year just closed, and with a council which will work together for the best interests of the City, I think that I can render good service as I have endeavored to do in the past.

Yours faithfully,
HERBERT CUTHBERT.

TO THE ELECTORS

Edward Bragg

For Alderman

Solicits your vote and influence.

For Alderman

As a candidate for aldermanic honors I solicit your vote and influence in the platform of sound, progressive municipal government.

Yours for a steady pull-ahead,
VAN MUNSTER, W. C. X

For Alderman, 1914

Ladies and Gentlemen:— I respectfully solicit your support in my candidature for Alderman in 1914. My aim is Economy and Progress.

THOMAS W. HOWARD

TO THE ELECTORS OF VICTORIA.

Being a candidate for Alderman I wish to state the principal policies I support.

1. Completion of Sooke Lake water-

works.

2. Continuing sewer construction programme, working in conjunction with adjoining municipalities.

3. Completing already undertaken paving programme, and afterwards a municipal paving plant operated by day labor.

4. To favor clean city both morally and physically, with good streets, parks, clean streets, and strict enforcement of reasonable building and sanitary regulations, and strongly believe in

MINING INDUSTRY MAY BE JEOPARDIZED

Legality of "Jumping" Claims to Be Taken up Before Pro- vincial Executive

The practice of "jumping" mining claims is to be thoroughly discussed before the provincial executive next Wednesday, January 21, when the holder of a big mine worth several million dollars will ask the government to disallow the claim struck by one John Hopp on that property. The practice of "jumping" claims on which some technical error in the certificate has gone undetected has grown to be such an enormous evil in the province that a special mining man has been appointed to look into the matter. The mining industry is seriously threatened as to its very existence, declared a prominent mining man last night. Unless the government takes drastic action in the Hopp case, he feels that it will be most difficult to get outside capital here to open up the mineral resources of the province.

The property in question is the well-known Bullion mine near Cloud Forks. This mine was first acquired by the C. P. R., which spent in the neighborhood of \$250,000 in developing the mine. The Guggenheims bought out the C. P. R. at a price not generally known, and completed the improvements at an expenditure of almost another \$500,000. The property was practically ready for operation. It is explained that the Guggenheims had covered that a minor's certificate. He immediately staked the property and, as the law now stands, it belongs to him and the millions spent by the bona fide owners are wasted.

About the time of Hopp's action the Guggenheims sold out to E. T. Ward, of Vancouver, and there is a question between these parties as to the Guggenheims' ability to deliver title. At any rate, Mr. Ward is bringing before the provincial executive an appeal which will go into the whole merits of the case. Mining men say that the law is defective in this particular, for it is possible for a dishonest or careless employee to involve his employers in dire ruin by letting a certificate or license lapse for a few days.

The practice of jumping has been used in many cases for purely blackmailing purposes. It is alleged by the all-important British Columbia industry. When large improvements have been done to properties they remain in the possession of the parties who put them there and the jumper usually tries to sell the land back to the previous holder. Such a condition of the law, the miners say, is intolerable and there is not a man with a dollar invested in the industry who is not vitally interested in the outcome of the law. The magnitude of this case is what has made it of such tremendous interest. For the experience of the Guggenheims is nearly a repetition of what hundreds of other smaller owners have suffered.

OUR LETTER BOX

Letters for publication in Daily Times must be received at the Times Office not later than the day before the day of publication. When received later they will be held over until the following day.

THE LABOR PROBLEM.

To the Editor, In many of the letters of your correspondents I notice much stress is laid upon the terms "British-born" and "white labor," with respect to employment in Victoria. Well, I am "British-born" but I like to see fair play to all. If this Dominion advertises in foreign papers and has its agents here, I ask you, is it fair when these foreigners get here to tell them they cannot get employment because they are not "British-born" or "white labor," when many white men could be employed if they were willing to do the same kind of work that yellow men do, but unfortunately, they will not, or I should, perhaps, say most will not. It is a load of wood carried in, while laborers (as far as my experience goes) will not do the work. Then who is to blame if yellow labor is employed?

T. M. S.
Victoria, B. C., Jan. 14, 1914.

LOCAL LABOR EMPLOYED.

To the Editor, Through various channels the public at large was last Saturday informed that there had been a grievous and unfair discrimination against British and Canadian labor by the proprietor and contractors having in charge the remodeling of the Mantol hotel. This charge is absolutely false and groundless. From the very beginning of the work American labor has been greatly in the minority.

Of the contractors, Messrs. Waddingham and White, the former is a Canadian by birth; the latter an American. The foreman, Mr. Fowler, is a native of England. In no instance has there been the question of nationality raised in the employment of labor, either skilled or unskilled, and at the time of the circulation of this report, out of twenty-one employees only three were Americans. It was the proprietor's understanding with the contractors that none but union labor was to be employed.

I have lived in Canada for many years, to which many prominent men in this city can testify. I was in the Yukon mining at Forty Mile, when Dawson was first struck, was the sole owner of Smith's addition of

brought one of the first payrolls to the Yukon country, and was subsequently awarded the Monte Carlo hotel and theatre in Dawson, and very recently I was associated with Mr. Baines in the Blenheim hotel of this city.

JACK SMITH.

We have read the above and what is stated therein is correct.

W. J. WADDINGHAM.

A. E. WHITE.

Contractors.

J. FOWLER.

Foreman for Contractors.

E. S.—My only motive in writing this letter is to prevent being misrepresented before the public.

SAANICH CAMPAIGN.

To the Editor, I desire to draw attention to a report which appeared in this morning's Colonist, of a meeting called by Mr. Dunn, Ward Four, Saanich, and held in Colquhoun hall on January 12.

The Colonist might at least publish a full report of those meetings, and not one side of the question. In this report Mr. Nicholson, candidate for re-election, is said to have refused the statements which I made in a letter to the voters' list, and which appeared in your paper last week. I might state that the Colonist refused to publish what I have said to the audience. Mr. Nicholson present last night to judge if the satisfaction of those present. The chairman permitted me to reply to Mr. Nicholson and explain the facts of the case, but of course the Colonist did not publish my remarks, and yet they call themselves a neutral party in this campaign.

R. MACNICOL.

1236 Government Street, Victoria, January 14, 1914.

To the Editor, As you have a great number of Saanich electors who are readers of your paper, I wish to bring to your notice the tactics adopted at a meeting held in the interests of Mr. Nicholson and Mr. Dunn at Colquhoun hall last night.

Mr. Dunn appointed the chairman, and instructed him that as he was paying for the hall he wanted "British fair play," and that the chairman was not to allow E. H. Cotterell, C. E., to address the meeting. "British fair play" is the motto of a buffoon.

At each of the meetings held under the auspices of the Saanich Ratepayers' association, Mr. Cotterell has addressed the audiences, and his explanation of the abuses that have crept into our municipal life have been thoroughly appreciated. The fact that Mr. Cotterell is able to explain in a lucid manner all that has led up to the scandalous paying contract, and is capable of exposing the injustice of robbing the taxpayers of considerably over \$100,000 is the reason that Mr. Nicholson and his satellites are afraid to allow Mr. Cotterell to speak at their Saanich Ratepayers' association meetings which ex-Reeve Nicholson has attended. He has been challenged by Mr. Cotterell to refute his statements, but I must say that Mr. Nicholson or his companions, including the paying clique, have not accepted and in their speeches have refrained from meeting facts and arguments set up against them.

SAANICH CENTRAL RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION.

R. MACNICOL, Secretary.

CHURCH EXEMPTIONS.

To the Editor, I will reply to Bishop Macdonald and Mr. Gilbert in the fewest words possible.

Both refer to the practice in other states. I submit that prevailing customs are not necessarily just and equitable. The question must be decided on its merits.

Churches, like business corporations and individuals, must move to sites they can afford. Their financial affairs are their own business.

Persons and institutions engaging in altruistic activities must surely do so at their own expense. For Mr. Gilbert to speak of voluntary contributions to God's work as state tyranny is to twist the plain meaning of words.

Churches are not state institutions as Mr. Gilbert affirms, neither are they managed on behalf of the state. The church is a spiritual organization that is not under any circumstances to be identified with the state.

"Taxation without representation" is un-British. If atheists and secularists are called upon to pay the taxes of the churches they must be given a voice in the management of the churches. If Protestants pay the taxes of Bishop Macdonald's church, they must have a voice in its management.

I agree that moral training is as necessary to citizenship as education. The state is doubtless giving as much of it as it thinks necessary in the state schools. When the state asks the churches to supply any deficiency will be time enough for them to present the bill.

Mr. Gilbert seems to think that "special privilege" can be given to everybody. That makes me smile.

The bishop calls in question my remark that "Christians are seeking to worship God at the expense of the other fellow." But surely if I compel the other fellow to share with me the extent of my worship, I am to that extent worshipping at his expense. Still replying to the bishop, may I point out that A gets the use of two lots while B has the use of one only. In my view, therefore, it is quite just that A should contribute more than B.

I do not subscribe to the theory that men should pay taxes in the measure of their ability. They should pay according to value received. Reputable merchants have a fixed price for their commodities, which rich and poor alike must pay. Mr. Northcott is quite right when he assesses the values of lots, not the bank balances of owners. No human tribunal is capable of deciding the "ability to pay" question. Who shall measure accurately the influences of health, natural faculties, etc., that enter into the "ability to pay" question.

Mr. Gilbert's final paragraph is a gem. I quote it in full. "The churches produce a commodity which the state requires; the state uses it and then we are to pay for it." The state uses it and then we are to pay for it.

FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR—All persons desiring to vote in the election of Mayor and Aldermen, on the 15th day of January, 1914, must be registered in the Polling Booth No. 1, Voters' "A" to "G" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 2, Voters' "H" to "Z" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 3, Voters' "A" to "G" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 4, Voters' "H" to "Z" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 5, Voters' "A" to "G" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 6, Voters' "H" to "Z" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 7, Voters' "A" to "G" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 8, Voters' "H" to "Z" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 9, Voters' "A" to "G" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 10, Voters' "H" to "Z" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 11, Voters' "A" to "G" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 12, Voters' "H" to "Z" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 13, Voters' "A" to "G" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 14, Voters' "H" to "Z" inclusive, in the Polling Booth No. 15, Voters' 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Frederick Arthur, Baron Stanley of Preston, afterward the sixteenth Earl of Derby, who was governor-general of Canada from 1888 to 1893, was born seventy-three years ago to-day. He came of a distinguished family, the first Earl of Derby having won his title in the battle of Bosworth in 1485, while a subsequent Earl of Derby was the founder of England's great turf classic, Lord Stanley, as Canadians best remember him, was educated at Eton, and entered the army at the age of seventeen. At twenty-four he was elected to parliament as a Conservative, and in 1868 he became lord of the admiralty. He was subsequently financial secretary for war, and secretary for war and the colonies, and was president of the board of trade when appointed Canadian governor-general. The principal political question in Can-

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ada during his administration had to do with the Jesuits estates matter. Lord Stanley left Canada in 1893, in which year he succeeded his brother as Earl of Derby. His only important post after that was mayor of Liverpool. He died in 1905.

Halifax witnessed a novel exodus 122 years ago to-day, when over a thousand Nova Scotia loyalists sailed away on a fleet of over a dozen transports, bound for the Africa of their forefathers. On the same day that the fleet sailed for Sierra Leone, where the colored people had been promised free land, the British government ordered that lands should be given them in Nova Scotia, and they were encouraged to remain. The decision came too late, however, and Nova Scotia lost a valuable body of agricultural laborers.

her teaching was a life-work, and not the occupation of a few years, and the spirit and ability she brought to her work forced recognition. She held several important positions, including that of professor of education at the University of Chicago, before she was made superintendent of Chicago schools in 1909. She was the first woman ever chosen as the head of the educational system of a great city. Her salary is \$10,000 a year, and, in the opinion of the women of Chicago, she saved the city much more than her salary by her bitter fight against the text-book men.

Last September Mrs. Young resigned her position because of the opposition of a few male members of the board of education, but a public demonstration in her behalf led her to reconsider the matter. Last month the board failed to re-elect her, but the power of Chicago's united womanhood caused the board to change its mind. Mayor Carter Harrison was the avowed champion of Mrs. Young, and sympathized fully with the indignation of the great masses of the people of Chicago at the deposition of the aged woman educator. All Chicago was aroused, and, as a result, the anti-Young members of the board resigned and Mrs. Young was triumphantly returned to office.

Probably no woman ever faced a more difficult problem than Mrs. Young when she undertook the superintendency of the Chicago schools. She was beset by politicians who had relatives or friends to be "looked after," and by agents for book concerns who considered that a woman superintendent would be "easy." Both poli-

ticians and book men were very much mistaken. In consequence Mrs. Young found herself subjected to a thousand petty annoyances, while every possible obstacle was placed in her path. When she proposed that sex hygiene be taught in the Chicago high schools, the pious politicians held up their hands in holy horror. What, should young innocent minds be thus corrupted? It was an awful thought, to the politicians, and made them shudder with horror.

Also, it was said that Mrs. Young was a mere "thinking machine," and lacking in human sentiment and emotion. Also, she was a woman; and therefore emotional, and incapable of bringing to bear upon her duties those mighty powers of ratiocination which belong solely to the masculine intellect. They—the politicians—also alleged that Mrs. Young was so learned and high-browish that she could not understand and appreciate the needs of the infantile mind, and they added that she was old and entering upon the period of her second childhood. All of those objections, and many more, had no appeal to the women, nor to most of the men, of Chicago. They preferred a record to a prospectus, and Mrs. Young had made a record such as had been equaled by few of her predecessors.

HUMAN PROCESSION

Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, who was recently rostered to the superintendency of the Chicago public school system, in which position she has won worldwide renown, will begin her seventh year to-day. Ella Flagg was the maiden name of the woman who has won a place in the forefront among the educators of America, and who has held it despite the bitter opposition of some "mere men." She was born in the Windy City, and she was educated in Chicago high and normal schools. She has been a teacher for more than half a century, beginning in 1842. For

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Personal

A farewell dinner was given by Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Fraser at their residence, 231 Hulton street, last evening in honor of the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell and family for Oakland, California. The evening was spent in music and dancing.

Friends of Mrs. Dennis Harris who were gathered at her home at the opera house last evening, will be glad to hear that she is progressing favorably and hopes soon to be about again. She is still in Seattle and will return to Victoria some time towards the end of February.

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WANTED—A house in exchange for a \$2,300 equity in a \$3,200 lot. What offers? Box 388, Times.

LOST—Lady's black velvet hand-bag, between Y. W. C. A. and Cook street, Wednesday evening, with purse containing money, fancy work and cards. Reward on returning to 302 Cook street.

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PROMINENT ENGINEER MET UNTIMELY END

James D. Sword Drowned Yesterday in Quathiaski Cove; Fell From Launch

James D. Sword, one of the widely-known mining engineers living in this province, who has practiced in British Columbia for nearly twenty years, was drowned yesterday in Quathiaski Cove, whilst returning from a trip to record assessment work on a mining claim. The only details of the regrettable accident to hand are that Mr. Sword was using a small gasoline launch, that the weather was boisterous, and that by some means he fell from the launch. A 7-mile current runs at this point, and all efforts to recover the body were unavailing. Particulars were wired to Victoria to-day by Provincial Constable Lines.

Mr. Sword was an Englishman by birth, and belonged to an old Staffordshire family, one of his brothers being a well-known counsel on the Oxford circuit. He was a great traveler, having conducted mining operations in Canada, Colorado and Mexico. He lived at Rossland for ten years, being there in the early boom days, and was identified with the first mining excitement of the Kootenay country. He resided latterly at the Coast, and acted as consulting engineer. Mr. Sword had hundreds of friends and no enemies. He was a man of strict integrity and sound judgment, and his loss will be widely regretted. He was a member of the Canadian Mining Institute, and indeed one of its founders.

Mr. Sword was about 45 years of age and leaves a son aged about 10.

LOCAL NEWS

Capital Club Dance.—The capital Athletic club will hold their eighth ball in the Alexandra club Monday, February 9. Invitations will be issued at an early date.

Old Friend Missing.—An old friend of the legislators, the annual bill for the amendment of the Vancouver city charter, will not be seen this session. There are no changes being asked for this year.

Building Permits.—Building permits have been issued to George Lowery, for two dwellings on Crescent road, costing \$500 each, and to David Spencer, Ltd., for alterations to the View street departmental store, costing \$1,000. A garage is to be built on Richardson street by William Durean.

Examination For Discovery.—The examination of City Comptroller Raymond in connection with the Westholme suit was commenced to-day. The comptroller, as water commissioner at the inception of the Sooke undertaking, knows probably more about the subject than any other citizen, and therefore his evidence is material to the issue.

Crystal Theatre.—The vaudeville for the last half of the week is Morse and Clark, presenting an artistic musical episode introducing some classy singing and pianoing. The Two Spectacles introduce "Fly Time," with some appropriate songs and dancing. The motion pictures include a Selig drama "With Eyes so Blue and Tender," a beautiful love story showing some excellent scenes. A Vitaphone film entitled "Lullaby's Love Story, Magic Melody," a Lubin comedy drama, and "A California Snipe Hunt," a Kalem comedy, complete the bill, which is a good one.

RE-PLAYED CUP TIES.

London, Jan. 15.—The two remaining cup tie replays were played to-day. Tottenham Hotspur winning from Leicester Fosse by the score of two goals to nil, and Liverpool defeating Barnsley one goal to nil. Tottenham Hotspur will therefore meet Manchester City in the second round on January 21 and Liverpool will be opposed by Gillingham.

The protest of Notts County against the win by Sheffield Wednesday in the first round of the football association by the score of three goals to two, Notts County claiming a draw, 2-2, has been dismissed by the executive committee of the association. Sheffield Wednesday will accordingly meet Wolverhampton Wanderers in the second round on Saturday, January 24.

PREMIER IS CENTRE OF AFFECTING SCENE

Wives and Children of Imprisoned Miners Petition Executive Aid

The executive chamber in the provincial government buildings has probably never witnessed a more affecting scene than that which took place at noon to-day when upwards of sixty women, wives and mothers of the imprisoned miners from Ladysmith, Wellington and Nanaimo appeared before Premier McBride and appealed for clemency for their loved ones. Wives asked for the liberation of their husbands, upon whom they depended for support, mothers with tears in their eyes besought Sir Richard to use his influence in freeing their sons, whom they said had really intended no wrong—women with little children pushed them forward as living evidences of their necessity in desiring the return of their husbands and fathers.

The delegation of wives and mothers came down from the north to the capital on a special train at 10.30 this morning, and wasted no time in reaching the government buildings. All of them wore red badges, and many carried cigar boxes in which they collected stray dimes from passers-by on the streets in return for tags bearing the legend, "In aid of the wives and children of the imprisoned miners." An arrangement was soon made through Secretary-Treasurer H. J. McEwen, of the Miners' Liberation league, and Vice-President A. Watchman, of the B. C. Federation of Labor for a hearing by Premier McBride.

At noon the red badged delegation streamed into the executive chamber, filling every chair that could be found, and overflowing into the hall. In addition to the women—of all nationalities apparently—there were many children, nearly all of whom, their mothers declared, had been without their fathers for as much as six or eight months.

Mr. McEwen, the first speaker for the delegation said that the deputations coming to Victoria numbered 150 persons. A petition which he presented to the premier asking for the release from prison of the miners was signed by every single woman in the strike district, who had a male relative in jail, he declared. Briefly the petition read: "We, the wives and mothers, petition you for the release of our husbands and fathers from jail, as they and we have suffered enough."

In his remarks regarding the strike and the serious trouble which followed Mr. McEwen laid much of the blame upon the shoulders of the premier. He further declared that the minister of justice had failed in carrying out the idea of justice as believed in by many thousands of people in the Dominion.

Then followed the women, each with a short plea for help from the premier. Many of them could not keep the tears from their eyes, and here and there one would break down almost completely. Mrs. Morgan asked for the release of a son of 19 sentenced to the penitentiary for two years. "He is only a boy, Mr. McBride," she said, "and meant no harm. He has been a good son and I need him at home."

That the court had been prejudiced against the miners was declared by Vice-President Watchman. He told the premier that a call had been issued for the workers in the province to go on strike on January 29 and 30 as a province-wide protest against the action of the court and the non-interference of the governmental authorities. He suggested that if the imprisoned workers were released trouble would be avoided, as the workers certainly did not wish to cause any more fuss and had no further desire for agitation. He complained that the chief of police of Victoria had refused to allow them to carry banners in the streets for their tag day, as had been permitted in Vancouver.

Premier McBride gave \$20 to the tag day fund of the women, but he would make no promise with regard to clemency, pointing out that such a matter as this lay with the Dominion authorities at Ottawa. He said, however: "But were I situated as the minister of justice is, and if there were good reasons for a recommendation for the exercise of pardoning power, it would be recommended."

He announced that an account of the meeting to-day would be forwarded to the minister of justice, and at the same time the minister would be informed of the statements relative to the possibility of a provincial strike at the end of the month.

INAUGURATES SESSION



HIS HONOR, THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

SALOON LICENSES ARE EXTINCT TO-DAY

Sixteen Go Out of Existence Under Act; Hotel Accommodation

To-day the saloons which have not either rebuilt or had their licenses transferred to new premises went out of business in Victoria under the terms of the new act, the license commissioners sitting this morning under Alderman Cuthbert's chairmanship, and formally confirming the licenses of the Occidental, Brown Jug, Bank Exchange, White Horse and Manitoba hotels, which have complied with the act.

The saloons are 16 in number, which are now extinct, being the Blue Post, Auto, Fountain, Elk, Regent, Retreat, Garrick's Head, Senate, Stewart's, Bismarck, Omicron, Palace, Boomerang, King's Head, Horse Shoe and Hall's saloon. Some of them date back over 40 or 50 years, notably the Boomerang in Court Alley.

The other classes of licenses held, in addition to the 49 hotels, with an aggregate of 2,665 rooms, of which about 2,400 are guest rooms, are wholesale, bottle and restaurant licenses, three houses retaining the last named.

The rooms in the licensed hotels are as follows: Atlantic 50; Balmoral 84; Brown Jug 33; Borden 33; Bank Exchange 36; Commercial 30; Canada 36; California 31; Clarence 61; Carlton 31; Comus 31; Dallas 45; Dominion 30; Delhi 40; Empire 32; Empress 200; Grand Central 20; Grand Pacific 31; Gordon 32; James Bay 50; Jubilee 31; Kaiserhof 35; King Edward 32; Lincoln 47; Leland 35; Murphy's 31; Manitoba 31; Northern 36; New England 43; Occidental 36; Pandora 37; Prince George 108; Queen's 47; Panama 32; Ritz 103; Rock Bay 31; Royal Arms 42; St. James 106; St. Francis 68; St. George 35; Strand 42; Tourist 30; Victoria 58; Western 57; Wilson 47; Westholme 101; White Horse 33. Grand total, 2,665.

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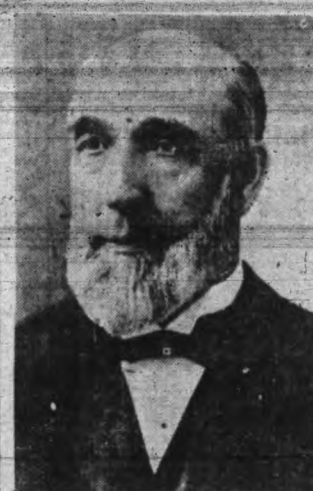
Letter Carriers Must Pay Straight Five Cents Per Journey Unless Settlement.

Starting to-day the postmen of Victoria must pay a straight five cent fare, just as the ordinary traveller. It is not felt, however, that this state of affairs will continue for long.

It transpires that the British Columbia Electric railway have arrangements with the Ottawa government whereby the company receives \$30 per postman per year. For that amount in the past they have agreed to carry the ubiquitous mail carriers over Victoria lines. However the company have not been satisfied for some time with this arrangement, which is less advantageous to them than in the case with many street car lines in the east, hence they have been petitioning the government repeatedly for increased consideration.

As, however, nothing was done, the company decided to precipitate matters, and the consequence is that to-day all mail carriers were obliged to pay their fares in the ordinary way. The matter has again been submitted to the postmaster-general at Ottawa, and it is hoped that a speedy settlement will be announced.

SENATOR COX ILL



Toronto, Ont., Jan. 15.—The condition of Senator Cox is so serious that the physicians attending him are afraid he cannot live through the day. All the family are present at the bedside.

TWO BLOCKS BURNED AT MIDLAND, LOSS \$75,000

Midland, Ont., Jan. 15.—Midland suffered another fire at 1 o'clock this morning, with the loss estimated at about \$75,000.

Bank of British North America town clerk's office, Simcoe Railway & Power office, Arthur W. Bell sewing machine agent, W. Findlayson, barrister, Dr. Harvie, dentist; light and water commission office, C. E. Allen, Taylor & Armstrong Bros., Miss McLeod, milliner; Canadian Express Co., and D. A. Fowler, jeweler. The cause of the fire is unknown.



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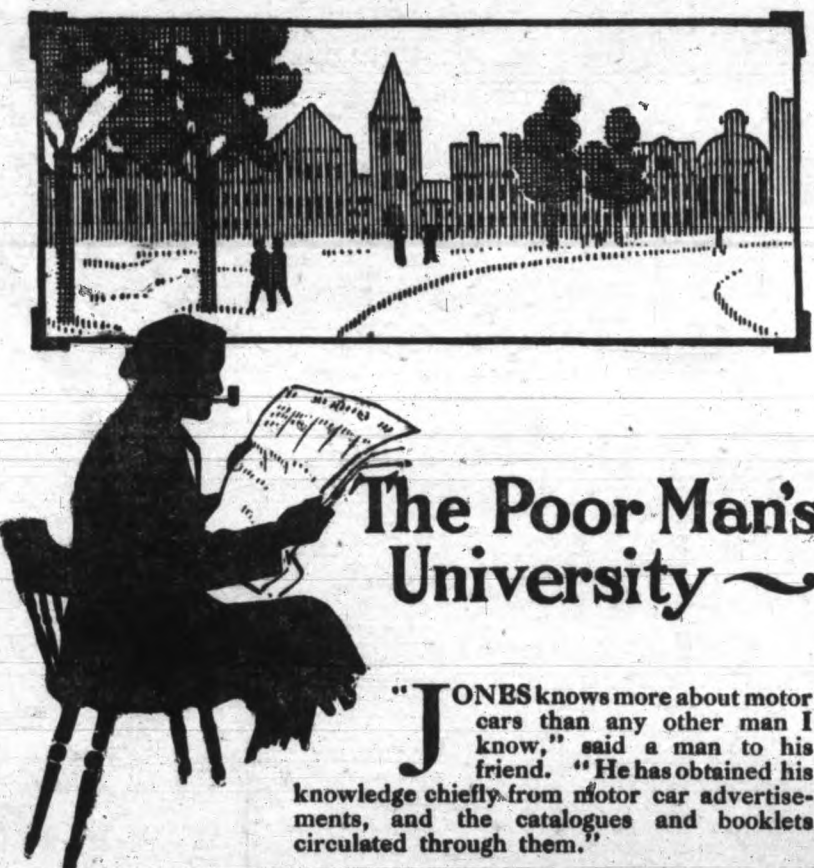
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Dividend No. 31.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum has been declared on the Permanent Loan Company for the half-year ending December 31, 1913, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office of the Company, 29 Pender Street, Vancouver, B. C., and at the Branch Office in Victoria, on and after January 15, 1914.

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POULTRY SHOW IS MAGNET TO FANCIERS

1,000 of Best Specimens of Feathered World Congregated at Willows

The predominant feature of the twenty-seventh annual show of the Victoria Poultry and Pet association, now in progress in the main building of the exhibition grounds, is the elimination of the fancy element from the pens, the varieties of the tuft, the crest and the top knot being solely represented by the Houdan entries, a breed which remains in evidence owing to its unquestioned utility.

The display at the Willows is epoch-making in its way, composed as it is of approximately 1,700 of the best specimens from the feathered world, ever gathered in Victoria, ranging from pert little bantams, whose weight counts in ounces, to the massive representatives of the larger breeds, scaling up to fifteen pounds.

The big building makes an ideal showroom, all pens being open to view and nearly all being one tier high. The large floor area allows of plenty of room in the aisles, and the method of lighting is all that can be desired. There are exhibits on view from various points in the Island and the Mainland, the outside exhibitors capturing a fair share of the prizes.

The American classes are well represented, contributing in the Rhode Island Reds almost one-fourth of the entire competition, there being about 30 of the single comb variety and 40 of the rose comb breed in evidence, thus ensuring a very keen contest.

Most of the Wyandotte family were well to the fore, the whites being most numerous and the quality good. It almost goes without saying that the Plymouth Rock breed loomed largely, a group of birds being put forward, the like of which were never seen in the city before, good shape, marking and color abounding. White Rocks were a good class, and in the buff, as usual, J. Black made a clean-up, taking all except one hen and second cockerel, which went to A. F. Macintosh.

The Opingtons, the English family, came out very strongly all through, the whites having among them some truly giant specimens, almost the whole list of prizes going to Vancouver, the majority in company with Mr. Burton. Blacks were also a strong class, but the buffs exceeded anything in their line ever seen here before. John Wood, of this city, still holds his own in this class with three first and five other prizes on the single entries.

Very noticeable at this present poultry show is the sudden coming into prominence of the Cornish or Indian Game. These breeds were wont to be conspicuous by their absence, but of late years a few entries have been appearing, and in this present instance, quite unheralded, a large entry has shown up in both the white and dark varieties. The Dark Cornish has been distinguished by birds which have been prize-winners at Crystal Palace, England, and Madison Square Garden, New York, probably the most valuable birds exhibited here.

The Mediterraneans are also there in numbers, Leghorns predominating. Minorca and Andalusians are well represented, and there is also a fair class of Anconas.

The rabbits and pigeons are less in numbers than usual, but of good quality. Judge Tucker, whose fame on the hen chit is continental, is to be congratulated on the success of his endeavors. All cards are expected to be placed to-day, and the association are looking for a large attendance on Friday and Saturday after the election excitement is over. To-night at seven a meeting of the executive committee of the association is called to arrange for the amateur judging contest which is to take place in the building on Friday night. The tombolas which the association instituted are still running, the name drawn last night being

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